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By Order,
G. GODFREY PHILLIPS,
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COUNCIL CHAMBER,
Shanghai, January 18, 1938. 12227

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Shanghai, February 25, 1938. 12227

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THE INDIAN COTTON IMPORTERS' ASSOCIATION OF CHINA

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Twelfth Ordinary General Meeting of the Association will be held in the Yokohama Specie Bank Building, TO-DAY, February 25, 1938, at 3 p.m. to pass the Report and Accounts for the year ended November 30, 1937, and to discuss other business of the Association.

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To receive and consider the annual Statement of Accounts and Balance Sheet, and the Reports of the Directors and Auditors thereon.
To elect a Director and Auditors.
To transact any other ordinary business of the Company.

The transfer books and register of members of the Company will be closed from February 21 to February 25, 1938, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Directors,
GEORGE McBAIN,
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Awards made in the Military Camp Garden Competition last year will be distributed at the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting.

Nominations for the election of the President and other Officers should be forwarded to the Hon. Secretary prior to March 27 and any member willing to serve on the Committee is requested to notify the Hon. Secretary before the date of the meeting.

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FEBRUARY

25 A.D.C. "Full House", Lyceum, 8.30
25 Norw. Soc. ann. gen, mtg., CSF, 6.30
25 S'hai War Photo Exh. for Red Cross Benefit, Sun Co. Bldg.

Coming Events

FEBRUARY

26 A.D.C. "Full House", Lyceum, 8.30
27 Theos. radio talk, XQHB, 820 kc., 7.45
27 S. M. Orchestra Concert, Lyceum, 5.15
27 "Aida," Postponed
28 S.A.W.V.S. Annual Dinner, 7.45

MARCH

1 St. David's Soc. Ann Dinner, C.S.F., 8
1 For. Y. lect. Dr. J. L. H. Paterson, 8.30
3 Theosophical Society Open mtg. 153 Nanking Road, public invited, 6
3 Scan. W. Ass., Miss M. Knudsen, 4.30
3 For. Y. debate Success in Business, 8.30
3 "Life for the Tsar" S'hai Opera, Lyceum, 8
4 Inst. Civ. Mech. & Elec. Engineers ann. dinner, 8
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10 "Hussar Love", Russian Light Opera, Lyceum, 8 p.m.
10 For. Y. debate "Polygamy," 8.30
11 B.W.A. Ann. Gen. Mtg. & Reception, 4
11 St. Tichon's Tea Dansant and Cabaret, Arcadia Ballroom, 5.30-9
15 For. Y. lect. Mr. S. C. Young, 8.30
17 For. Y. debate Wealth & Happiness, 8.30
17 B.W.A. M. & D. section Children's Prog., 5.15
18 The Shanghai Club Annual Mtg., 5.30 p.m.
18 Armoured Car Co. Dance, Race Club
25 For. Y. Fourth Evening of Music, 8.30
27 "Purim Entertainment," Jew. School Audit. 5.30
29 For. Y. lect. Dr. Bernard E. Read, 8.30
29 "The Beggar's Opera," Lyceum
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From St. Olga's Orphanage

To the Editor of the
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SIR,—Will you kindly allow me to place in your esteemed newspaper—my most deep and sincere thanks and gratefulness to the following persons:—

Dr. Emory Luccock, Mr. John Minter and all the parishioners of the Community Church; Mr. A. Eveleigh; Mr. Baker and his daughter Miss Mona; the President of the Rotary Club; Mrs. Simson; the American School; Mrs. O. de Vos; Mrs. Charles Boynton; Colonel Charles Price; Mrs. Charles Price; Lieutenant Hamilton; Mrs. J. Hamilton; Mr. Engelssen; Mr. W. S. H. Fuller; Mr. Sekita; Mr. Heltzen; Mr. Louis Choquet; Mrs. Weeks; Mr. and Mme Lucien Dedun; Mrs. MacEuen; Mrs. Schuster; Mr. Roger Faye; Mr. Chou who remembered on the Saint Days of Christmas the poor Russian children of St. Olga's Orphanage and by their care and attention gave them the possibility to enjoy their Holidays, and to all the friends who helped us to give a happy and cheerful Christmas to these poor orphans.

May God's blessing be with them.

MOTHER ARIADNA,
Superior of Our Lady of Vladimir's Convent and St. Olga's Orphanage.

Shanghai, Feb. 24.

MUSICAL CRITICISM

The Critic's Reply

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—With reference to the letter which appeared in the issue of your esteemed journal dated February 23 signed H, in which he asked for the connotation of the term "stinking fish" I beg to state that the expression "to cry stinking fish" is a well-known English phrase meaning to over-advertise goods of inferior quality. My reference was to the exaggerated eulogism of the programme note and it was certainly not my intention to compare Casella's music to fish in an advanced condition.

My objection to "Scarlattiana" was not to the music itself, but to its title and the fact that it claimed to be wholly reminiscent of and partly based upon the composition of Domenico Scarlatti. That my meaning should not have been accurately conveyed in my critique is doubtless due to the printer's omission of that important little word "not" in a sentence which should have read "she countered my observation that it was an outrage to the memory of Scarlatti by stating that the work did not purport to have anything to do with that composer!"

With reference to Mr. DE LUCA'S letter which appeared in your issue to-day, he should bear in mind that whereas a critique of a concert is in the nature of a *post mortem* and has no effect upon the box office receipts, in writing reports of operas one has to remember that an adverse criticism may possibly affect the finances of the company in question. If he would be so kind as to read my critique of "La Tosca" again he will find it difficult to describe it as "lavish praise." It was purposely written in such a way as to conform to the truth without the possibility of its adversely affecting the prospects of a group of artists which, in spite of a number of inevitable defects, is doing work for which we should be profoundly grateful.

Finally I should like to take this opportunity of offering my sincere apologies to all who have been offended by my "unhealthily extroverted vocabulary." I am surprised that my language should have given offence especially as the phrases complained of were used wholly impersonally; I might add that they were intended humorously. However, it shall not occur again.

F. A.

Shanghai, Feb. 24.

***Editorial Comment on page 4.

EFFECT OF SPRING?

Hollow-eyed Canaries

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—I should be very pleased if you or one of your readers would kindly tell me why with the coming of Spring my canary gets circles under her eyes.

STUPID.

Shanghai, Feb. 24.

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S.M.C DEPARTMENTAL ESTIMATES

Covering Secretariate, Industrial, Finance, P.W.D. Education and Library

Estimates of ordinary expenditure of various municipal departments with reports thereon by the Treasurer & Controller were considered by the Finance Committee on February 15.

Those for the Secretary General's Office amounted to $60,520, a decrease of $1,940 as compared with the Budget figure for 1937. The decrease is due to economies in pay and allowances recommended by the Staff Economy Committee.

The amended estimates for the Secretary's Office amounted to $397,000, a decrease of $7,980 or approximately 1.97 per cent as compared with the corresponding figure for 1937. The Secretary pointed out to members that in 1936 the Secretariat estimates totalled approximately $428,000; in 1937 they were approximately $405,000 and this year they were approximately $397,000. The apparent small saving, however, did not take into consideration the fact that the Secretariat had since January 1, 1937, been doing the whole work of the Press Information Office, on which the actual expenditure in 1936 was approximately $68,000. If that figure were added to the Secretariat cost in 1936, and a comparison made with the 1938 estimates, the saving was almost 20 per cent.

The amended estimates of the Industrial Section amounted to $64,440, an increase of $110 over the 1937 figure.

The amended estimates for the Legal Department amounted to $147,790 as compared with $147,600 in 1937.

The amended estimates of the Chinese Studies & Translation Office amounted to $96,970 as compared with $106,600 in the 1937 Budget, a decrease of approximately 9.03 per cent.

The total estimated requirements of the Finance Department amounted to $1,111,690, a decrease of $3,060 compared with the relative figure for 1937. This figure included the estimate of $666,030 for the Revenue Office.

The Treasurer & Controller informed members that the only additional remarks he wished to make were in connection with the Revenue Office. It was impracticable to effect any substantial reduction in the cost of this Section, owing to the numbers of the outdoor Chinese and foreign personnel required. He considered that it was of very vital importance in the present circumstances to keep a full establishment, and even to add to it in the Chinese grades in order to speed up operations. It was now more difficult to collect revenue than in former years, and he felt that the services rendered by the Revenue Office had been really very remarkable. In January 1936, the collections were $1,954,000; in January 1937, they were $2,200,000; and in January of this year they have been $2,019,000, which represented a very fine effort on the part of the Revenue Office. Members expressed gratification at the result stated.

The estimates of the Departments mentioned above were approved by the Finance Committee and endorsed by the Council on February 23.

Land Acquisition and Road Construction

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held on February 15 it was noted that the preliminary estimates of Extraordinary Expenditure for 1938 as submitted by the Public Works Department contained provision for an appropriation of $1,000,000 for the acquisition of Land for new roads and extension of existing roads, widenings, etc., the 1937 appropriation under this heading being $1,463,400. A further appropriation of $200,000 was included for road construction. The 1937 Budget appropriation for Road construction was $414,700.

At the Works Committee meeting held on February 7, it was recommended tentatively to cut down the appropriation for the acquisition of Land to $750,000, and to refer the matter to the Finance Committee for consideration as regards a further reduction. The appropriation for road construction was also referred to the Finance Committee for consideration as regards a reduction of the amount involved. It was stated that a detailed estimate of the proposed programme of work could not be included, as such depended on unpredictable building activities.

The Treasurer & Controller stated that the Commissioner of Public Works agreed with him that the figure for acquisition of road land might well be placed at $750,000, subject to possible amendment when the budget was finally framed. The figure of $200,000 for road construction, he considered should stand.

Members agreed, and it was unanimously recommended that subject to any necessary adjustments by the Treasurer & Controller in collaboration with the Commissioner of Public Works, appropriations be included in the estimates of Extraordinary Expenditure for 1938, in the sum of $750,000 for the acquisition of Land for new roads and extension of existing roads, widenings, etc., and of $200,000 in respect of road construction.

The Municipal Council on February 23 endorsed the recommendation of the Finance Committee.

Education Estimates of Extraordinary Expenditure

At a meeting of the Education Board held on February 11, the estimates of extraordinary expenditure of the Education Department for 1938 were considered.

In order to allow for a more accurate distribution of the cost of the Assembly Hall and Gymnasium at the Western District Public School as between 1937 and 1938, the appropriation for this item was increased from $2,600 to $6,500, while an appropriation of $2,300 was included for the balance of cost of the Cookery and Needlework Centre at the Public School for Girls.

For additional fire protection measures at the foreign schools, a sum of $1,920 was approved.

For the Chinese schools, a reduced appropriation of $5,000 to cover the balance of cost of alterations and additions at the Cunningham Road Primary School was approved as was also an item of $9,840 for additional fire protection measures.

The total expenditure to be included in the Budget for items for which the Council is already committed or which are considered urgent was reduced to $25,560, compared with the figure of $39,750 appearing in the preliminary estimates.

Subject to any further adjustment by the Treasurer & Controller in conjunction with the Commissioner of Public Works, the estimates of extraordinary expenditure for 1938 were approved for submission to the Finance Committee.

Library Estimates

The Public Library estimates for 1938, together with a report thereon by the Treasurer & Controller, were submitted to a meeting of the Library Committee held on February 17. It was noted that these estimates, after emendation, amounted to $15,670, as compared with $15,650 in 1937. The appropriation for the purchase of foreign and Chinese books was apportioned as for 1937, at $3,200 and $800 respectively.

Subject to any further necessary adjustments by the Treasurer and Controller in conjunction with the Librarian, the Estimates were approved for submission to the Finance Committee.

The Municipal Council has endorsed a recommendation of the Public Library Committee that a complete set of photo fascimile reprints of the first series of "Szu Fu Tsung Kan" be purchased at a cost of $225. The set consists of 100 volumes, including several which in original date back between the years 1368 to 960 A.D.

WEST-END HOTEL JEWEL ROBBERY

Case in Court Against Four Mayfair Men

ATTACKED JEWELLER'S "THAT IS THE MAN"

There was a dramatic moment at Westminster Police Court recently when M. Etienne Bellenger pointed to 26-years-old Robert Harley, one of four Mayfair men in the dock, and said he identified him as the man who attacked him with a mallet at the Hyde Park Hotel, states the "Daily Mail."

Harley and David Wilmer, aged 24, John Lonsdale, aged 24, and Peter Jenkins, aged 23, were committed for trial.

It was their fifth appearance on a charge of robbing M. Bellenger, a director of Cartier, Ltd., New Bond-street jewellers, of eight diamond rings, valued at £13,824, and at the same time using personal violence to him on December 20.

They are further accused of conspiring to rob Messrs. Cartier.

Lady Oxford Present

A long queue of well dressed men and women again gathered at the court long before it opened, but only a small number gained admission.

M. Bellenger, thick-set, pale beneath his tan and with his head swathed in bandages, was the first witness. He looked constantly at the four men in the dock; once he flashed a smile across to Lady Oxford and Asquith, who was sitting near counsel.

M. Etienne Bellenger

Mr. Ronald Powell, the magistrate, told him to sit in the witness-box.

He said that as a result of a telephone message he went to the Hyde Park Hotel with nine rings to see a Mr. Hambro, which was the name given in the message.

He was taken to Room 305, and there saw a man whom he identified as Jenkins, and who said he was Mr. Hambro.

They talked about the value of the diamonds, and then Wilmer came in and was introduced as Mr. Hambro's secretary.

He was told that the rings were wanted for an engagement to somebody very wealthy.

He was standing with his back to the bedroom door, and Jenkins was looking at a ring, when Wilmer made a sign towards the bedroom. At the same moment he (M. Bellenger) received a blow on the head.

I turned round and saw that man (indicating Harley) with goggles and a black handkerchief over his mouth and the lower part of his face.

He was knocking me with a black wooden mallet. I tried to give him a blow, but I realised that I had no more strength, so I thought the only thing to do was to push his goggles in his eyes, and that was what I was trying to do. He carried on hitting me."

"Jolly Good" Blows

We were still fighting when Wilmer got hold of me by the shoulder, pushed me on the ground, and said to Harley, 'Come on, finish it quick.'

I fell on the floor and received four more blows on the head—jolly good ones this time they were."

Mr. Vincent Evans, prosecuting. What happened to Jenkins?—He stayed where he was. I think he was sitting on the table.

Did you see when he went?—No. All I know is that I realized that they were going to do me in, and I kept quiet and let them go. I had no more strength.

Mr. Bernard Gillis, for Harley, said he proposed to reserve his cross-examination in view of M. Bellenger's health. He would like to say, however, that M. Bellenger was mistaken when he said it was Harley who struck him.

Fresh Charge

Mr. Powell (to M. Bellenger), You say the man who struck you was wearing black glasses and a handkerchief over his mouth. In these circumstances could you identify him?—Yes. He is the man there (indicating Harley).

How do you identify him?—By his hair.

Mr. A. Kramer, for Lonsdale, submitted that there was no evidence on the main charge and asked that he be discharged.

Mr. Powell: There is no evidence that he was at the Hyde Park Hotel at the material time. There is in his statement evidence on the conspiracy charge. I hold there is evidence to go to the jury on the robbery charge as being an accessory before the fact.

Before the men were committed the accessory charge was read out to Lonsdale. All pleaded not guilty and reserved their defence. Bail was refused.

Sixty Years Ago

FROM THE "NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS" OF FEBRUARY 25, 1878

All who correspond with Australia, India and China, will be glad to hear that the Bombay Chamber of Commerce has moved promptly and vigorously to secure cheap and rapid postal communication, after February 1, 1880, when the mail contract of the Peninsular and Oriental Company will be thrown open to competition. The Chamber demand that the minimum speed between Brindisi and Alexandra shall be fifteen, and between Suez and Bombay, thirteen knots an hour, the mails being carried by rail through Egypt. They would have the Brindisi and Bombay service special, for it is really the base of all postal communication South and East of Egypt. Practically this would bring India within a fortnight of Europe, if, at the same time, the French Government be moved to stop its stupid opposition to high speed on the Paris and Not Cenis route, a prohibition designed to allure the overland traffic back to Marseilles and the Messageries Maritimes.

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Via Hongkong.—31.49m.

Berlin, Germany.—*13.05 to 24.00*, 31.38m, 19.74m.; 16.89m.; 31.45m.; 19.63m.

Rome, Italy.—*19.00 to 21.30 and 23.00 to 00.20*. 25.4m.

Australia—Lyndhurst, Mon.-Sat. *10.35 to 21.30*; Sun., *16.00 to 20.30*. 31.34m.
Sydney, Sun., *14.00 to 16.00, 18.00 to 22.00*; Mon., *22.00 to 24.00*; 31.28m.
Melbourne, Mon.-Sat., *17.00 to 20.00*, 31.50m.
Perth, Mon.-Sat., *17.00 to 19.00*, 31.28m.

Paris, France.—*15.00 to 18.00*, 25.24m; *18.00 to 24.00*, 13.86m; *00.15 to 7.00*, 25.34; *7.15 to 14.00*, 26.60m.

Manila, P.I.—*6.30 to 9.00 and 19.00 to 23.00*, 25.38m; 31.35m. Sunday, *18.00 to 24.00*.

Tokyo, Japan.—*13.00 to 14.30, 21.00 to 22.00*, 25.42m.; 19.79m.

Lisbon, Portugal.—*6.00 to 8.00*, 30.18m.

Abridged Programmes

The letters in parenthesis indicate from which of the above stations the broadcast is made.

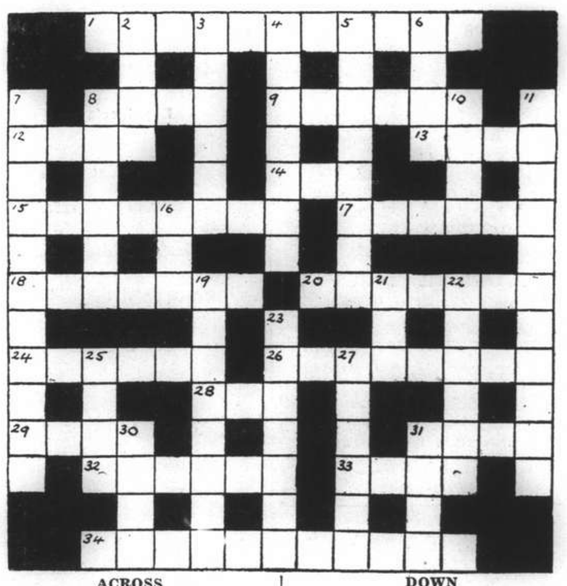
13.10 "Merry music" (B)
13.30 News; varied, till 14.30 (T)
14.00 News in German (B)
15.00 News (B), (P)
15.30 "Ship Ahoy!" (B)
16.15 "At the Black Dog" (D)
16.30 Brass Band (B)
16.45 "Dancing Time" (D)
17.00 News in French (P), Perth, till 19.00, 31.28m.; Melbourne, till 20.30, 31.50m. (A)
17.20 News, 31.34m. (A)
17.30 News (P), in German (B), "The BIF, 1938" (D)
17.40 News in Italian (P)
17.45 Songs of the Homeland (B)
17.50 Next Week's Programmes (D)
18.00 News (D), Opera potpourri (B)
18.45 "The House in the Country" (D)
19.00 Concert (B), (P), Varied, till 21.30 (B), till 23.00 (M)
19.30 "Food for Thought" (D)
19.50 "Old-Time Songs" (D)
20.00 News (B), (P)
20.10 "Empire Mail-Bag" (D)
20.30 News, 31.34m. (A)
20.40 George Elrick's Swing Music Makers (D)
21.00 News in German (B), Varied, till 22.00 (T)
21.05 "Topical Talks for Seamen" (D)
21.15 Chorals of Spring and Youth (B)
21.20 Next Week's Programmes (D)
21.30 News (D), in French (P), Organ/songs, 13.9m. (USA)
21.45 "The Family Tree" (B)
22.00 News (B), BBC Empire Orchestra (D)
22.30 Concert (P), Home and Abroad (B)
22.45 Drama, 13.9m. (USA), "Thank You, Much Better!" (B)
23.00 "America Speaks," 1 (D), Varied, till 00.20 (B)
23.20 "Dancing Time" (D)
23.45 "Theatre/Cinema News" (B)
24.00 News (D), (B), Italian hour, 16.9m. (USA)
00.20 Next Week's Programmes (D)
00.30 "Information Received" (D), Carson Robison's Buckaroos, 49.5m. (USA)
01.00 English hour, 16.9m. (USA)
06.00 Special news, 31.48m. (USA), Varied, till 08.00 (L)
06.30 Varied, till 09.00 (M)

The Government's Films Bill, designed to afford increased protection and assistance to British films reached the report stage in the House of Commons on evening of Feb. 23. The Bill has been considerably amended in the Standing Committee.

SOLUTION OF LONDON PUZZLE No. 1448.

LONDON CROSS WORD No. 1449

(By Arrangement with the "Daily Telegraph.")



ACROSS

1 Fighting men to prevent the favourite from being got at?
8 This bugbear of motorists might easily become another
9 This is French though English
12 Classical musical work obviously
13 Fish
14 Part of a race or of any member of a race
15 Contend
17 Things are apt to be rather flat where this person has been at work
18 Weapon
20 What is right and proper is right here
24 Gaol
26 What keeps a stamp from coming off an envelope?
28 Border
29 This is made of meat
31 Give up
32 Horses have been known to bite through this bit
33 Part of an earring
34 Yes, a vegetarian may eat this tasty dish, oddly enough

DOWN

2 A race of trees
3 Must this part of a railway always have some bias?
4 Infectious complaint common in girls' schools
5 This is not what it claims to be, but is only one relish
6 A lie herein is the making of some newspapers
7 Chance
8 English county
10 This cereal is not good for runners
11 Though he may claim enchanting powers he is mainly a teller of untruths
16 Spirit
19 "Same ship" (anagram)
21 Hint
22 A disturber of the border peace
23 He is fond of play and is taking an easy walk if he loses his head
25 Shell-fish
27 To be familiar (by the fireside?)
30 He conceived an ideal state
31 A judge of the Oriental

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NOW ON VIEW

WOMAN'S PAGE

A London Letter

By Olive Dun

London, Jan. 29.

When the King and Queen come back, all is brisk and nothing slack; all is fat and nothing lean, when we have the King and Queen. They lend a tonic and variety to the dull round of high society. I really beg your pardon. But the month after Christmas is always rather flat, and when the Royal Standard floats again over Buckingham Palace, as it will next week on their Majesties' return from Sandringham, all London seems to move more smartly.

As yet, however, most of the gay world are away. The popularity of the winter sports in Switzerland increases every year. The tourist agency shops in Cockspur Street decorate their windows with scenes of snow mountains, with working models of skiers and tobogganers skimming down them. Or if you prefer warmer climates and easier days, the shipping offices offer you tours all over the world.

Meanwhile the sound of the house-painter is heard in the land. Every third or fourth house has a board on the area railways announcing "Decorations by Smearum and Patchit," and the gossip writers go into raptures over the new schemes of decoration invented by Lady This and the Hon. Mrs. That. We are having the servant's bedroom colour-washed too, between two spasms of domestic experiments. Yes, life in London is certainly brightening up all round.

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Thrills in the Court of Chancery

Chancery lawsuits from the days of Jarndyce and Jarndyce are traditionally dull, prosy and unintelligible. But the case this week between Captain Cunningham-Reid, Conservative M.P. for Marylebone and his wife has caused as much excitement as a first-class murder trial. Both people being very well known and the wife immensely wealthy, society women fought for entry to the court and fur coats and costly stoles were almost torn to bits in the struggle.

Mrs. Cunningham-Reid and Lady Louis Mountbatten are daughters of Lord Mount Temple and inherited from their grandfather Sir Ernest Cassel no less than £6,000,000 between them. Mrs. Cunningham Reid's income was never less than £70,000 a year. She married Captain Cunningham-Reid in 1927, being then a ward in chancery, and as she was not allowed by her grandfather's will to make a settlement on her husband or anticipate her income, she proposed during the honeymoon that a joint account should be opened for them and that he should draw from it whatever they could save, to form a settlement for him. Deeds were accordingly drawn up to this effect between the husband and wife and with two companies, Cunningham Securities and Tommil Holdings, which were formed apparently heard a City man say, "We don't call a man in the City rich till he has at least £30,000 a year." And for the income of £70,000 a year, a ring costing several thousands is a mere incident.

The worst of such *causes célèbres* is that they whet the socialist appetite to "soak the rich" and it is invariably the humble poor of the middle-class who get worst soaked in the process.

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Sir Henry Irving's Centenary

A centenary of rare interest falls on February 6, the birth day of Irving. It is to be celebrated with an exhibition of Irving relics, the big drum that he used for "noises off," the cloak he wore as Becket and so forth. To the younger playgoers of to-day Irving is, of course, only a names. To those who actually saw him, he represents an epoch. It is doubtful whether any other actor has so powerfully influenced his art as Irving did. Yet when he first appeared on the stage he was booed and hissed. He was 33 before his production of "The Bells" at the Lyceum proclaimed to the world that a star indeed had been born. I remember an old lady telling me that she had previously journeyed down to Bethnal Green to see him in this famous play and his agony in it took such a hold on her that the jingling of the hansom bells as she drove home made her quite shivery.

His mannerisms, of course, are still famous, the curious dragging walk, the unexpected emphasises in speech, sometimes rather hard to make out. Imitations of Irving were the stock-in-trade of village concerts and penny readings. His critics said that "whatever he played, it was always Irving." Mr. Bernard Shaw said that "he achieved the celebrated feat of performing 'Hamlet' with the part of Hamlet left out, substituting for it the fascinating figure of Henry Irving." The question was whether he could have offered anything more fascinating. He invariably made more of any play than the author had done—"Becket" for example, which as Tennyson wrote it does not impress one greatly, but as Irving played it was unforgettable. The title of genuis is scattered about with too little discrimination now. But a genius Irving surely was.

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Apotheosis of Table Tennis

The excitement of the week is the table tennis tournament at the Albert Hall, in which no fewer than 16 nations are competing for the Swaythling Cup. It really might almost be Wimbledon and the Davis Cup. The English Table Tennis Association contains 201 leagues, 3,800 clubs and 60,000 players. The tournament at the Albert Hall employs 50 interpreters and 170 referees; also a supply of 3,000 celluloid balls. The competitors come from all over the world, including Palestine. Their technique is as carefully weighed by experts as the punch of a prize fighter or the points of a Pekinese. And we used to call this game ping-pong!

It need hardly be said that the lady competitors get all the limelight Fräulein Britzi; from Austria, last year's finalist and this year's favourite, with her rapier thrusts to get under an opponent's guard: a bevy of beauties, innocent looking but "deadlily instructed," from America; and, most dazzling of all, Maroucha, the belle of Basque land, for whom I cannot do better than quote from the "Daily Express."

> She has a tiny nose she has long, spidery eyelashes that flick on to her cheek at the slightest excuse, she has —what's the use? She has everything.
>
> She romps around in a pair of long grey slacks and a heavy top coat. Her hair is bundled behind her ears with the carelessness that only a really lovely woman can cultivate.

After that, what more can Miss Maroucha want, even if she doesn't win the cup? But it just shows you that the Albert Hall is well worth visiting this week.

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Royal Memoirs

Prince Christopher of Greece, uncle of the Duchess of Kent, has just published a book of memoirs which will give much amusement. Some of his recollections are quite scandalous, as when Queen Alexandra made him dress up in the dress worn by Queen Victoria at the opening of the Great Exhibition of 1851, "an alarming creation of tartan taffetas" and a feathered bonnet, and so leading him along the corridors of Buckingham Palace, where the servants were horrified, introduced him to her sister, the Dowager Empress of Russia, as "Her Majesty Queen Victoria." The Dowager Empress who had been ill, laughed so much that she had a relapse.

There is much about the courtship of Prince George and Princess Marina, which really was a courtship not a conventional royal betrothal, and in which they met casually, then met more and more, went for long motor drives together, and both furiously denied that there was "anything in it." Came an evening (as the old movies used to say) in Princess Nicholas's villa in Yugoslavia, when the atmosphere grew more and more electric, and the house party gradually drifted to bed leaving George and Marina at opposite ends of a sofa. Half an hour later Prince Christopher went back for a forgotten cigarette case. George and Marina were still on the sofa, "but no longer at opposite ends." Next day the engagement was announced.

A delightful story is told of Princess Marina when she was 11 years old. A family conference was being held over the possibility of breaching the elder sister's engagement to the Crown Prince of Denmark. Marina was so quiet that the others had forgotten she was there, when suddenly she burst out, "Why the hell should Olga marry him if she doesn't love him? I wouldn't!"

Her mother smiled; "Out of the mouth of babes." So Olga was allowed to break the engagement.

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The Abbey Up-to-date!

Westminster Abbey, historic shrine of the British Commonwealth, resting place of her kings and heroes, is being wired for sound. The impression made by the extensive public address system which was installed for the Coronation ceremony in May was so favourable that work is now progressing on a permanent installation. The system for the Coronation and for permanent installation is supplied and installed by Standard Telephones & Cables, Ltd., manufacturing subsidiary in London of the International Telephone and Telegraph Corporation.

Six microphones and 70 amplifiers are involved. The system is regarded as one of the most complete and most modern in use anywhere. Special installation problems are being met in the placing of the loud speakers. It has been possible to locate most of them so that they are invisible to the audience, but where this might impair the performance of the equipment, the speakers have been finished to match exactly their surroundings.

Without amplification, services are almost entirely inaudible in some parts of the Abbey.

At the wedding of Lady Patricia Douglas and Count John de Bendern at Brompton Oratory the other day Lady Stavordale wore a Turkish fez with a very long tassel, and Mrs. Geoffrey Brocklebank had chosen the chin strap style.

much as some big landed people, the Duke of Buccleuch, Lord Salisbury, etc., have turned themselves into limited liability companies to lessen the weight of taxation and escape death duties. At the end of 1936, for reasons not yet published—divorce proceedings have been started—Mrs. Cunningham-Reid left her husband. She then wished to cancel the deeds mentioned and to compel him to return the money he had drawn under them. He wished for a legal decision that the deed could not be revoked and so brought action.

There was a vast array of legal talent on each side—Sir Stafford Cripps for the husband, Sir Patrick Hastings for the wife, and several lesser but still brilliant lights. Altogether it is calculated that the costs will run into £20,000, and if a private settlement had not been reached after the third day—much to the public's disappointment—it would have cost a lot more.

The *pièce de résistance* was Captain Cunningham-Reid's cross-examination by Sir Patrick Hastings who brought every one of his formidable guns into action. His questions went to show that all Mrs. Cunningham-Reid's relations had done their utmost to prevent her marrying him, and that when they failed, her father made her a ward of Chancery so that she might not marry without a judge's consent. Sir Patrick also produced love letters written by Captain Cunningham-Reid to his wife after she had left him, of which he had carefully kept copies, the adroit suggestion being that he anticipated the law suit and deliberately wrote the letters in order to suggest to judge and jury that he was much more anxious to get back his wife than to collar his share of her fortune.

From this brief outline you may imagine the innuendoes made, the mud stirred up, and through this murky atmosphere glittering allusions to a wedding and honeymoon that cost £9,000, fitted dressing-cases at £1,200, a diamond ring for £14,000, and nearly £20,000 spent on furnishing a house in Brook Street. Altogether a toothsome case.

All things are relative of course. The clerk on £2 a week imagines £500 a year as luxury. The £1,500 a year man cannot imagine what it would be like to have £15,000. I have

TWO RECIPES FOR MUTTON

Here are two ways of making savoury the somewhat unattractive "mutton" with which the markets are furnished nowadays: The first is a genuine Irish stew from Ireland.

Irish Stew

1½ lb. neck of mutton
2 lb. potatoes
4 onions
1 pint stock or cold water
salt
pepper
1 tablespoon chopped parsley

Cut the meat into small slices, peel and slice the potatoes and onions, season well with pepper and salt. Put all into a pan with the stock or water and bring gently to the boil.

Remove the scum, then continue to simmer gently for 1½ hours, skimming as required. Just before serving, add a few drops of Worcester sauce.

Serve on a hot dish and sprinkle with freshly-chopped parsley. If liked, the stew can be cooked in a casserole in a slow oven for three hours.

Lancashire Hot Pot

2 lb. neck of mutton
2 sheep's kidneys
2½ lb. potatoes
2 Spanish onions
salt and pepper
2 oz. margarine
½ pint stock

Divide the meat into cutlets, trim off the skin and most of the fat. Place the short rib bones and the lean trimmings with the onions in a stewpan, cover with cold water and boil down for gravy.

Put a layer of sliced potato into a greased fireproof dish and arrange the cutlets on the top, slightly overlapping each other, and place a piece of kidney on each piece of meat. Season well, arrange a layer of small potatoes, cut in halves. Pour down the side of the dish ½ pint hot stock, seasoned with salt and pepper. Pour a little melted margarine over the top layer of potatoes, cover with a piece of greased paper, and bake in a moderate oven for 2¾ hours.

Before sending to table, pour in the gravy and serve piping hot, straight from the pot.

AMERICAN WOMEN'S CLUB

The next meeting of the American Women's Club, on Tuesday, March 1, will be in charge of the Dramatic Department, who will present two one act plays, entitled:

1. Susan Should Marry
2. He Ain't Done Right by Nell, (an old fashioned melodrama)

Both are directed and produced by Mrs. K. E. Graham, Chairman.

Tea will be served at 3.45 p.m., and the entertainment will begin at 4.30.

Guests accompanied by a member of the Club will be welcomed. Members are reminded that the usual small charge will be made for each guest.

It is hoped that a large attendance of members will be present.

A WELCOME RESUMPTION

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DO IT ANYWAY

Two Stories with a Point to Them

Marjorie Hills, in that excellent periodical, "Good Housekeeping," is brightly insistent on the pleasures which remain within the reach of the cheerful poor with brains. She has no patience with gloomers or with those who retire within their shells and are sorry for themselves. Find out ways and means of doing what you want to do, is her theme—"Where there's a will there's a way."

She tells the tale of Mr. and Mrs. D. who, when they were married twenty years ago, where only able to travel by saving scrupulously, watching for cheap excursions, and going very infrequently They had a marvellous time, however, when they did go—and they continued to be travel enthusiasts later on when Mr. D. had made enough money to take them on the Aquitania, engage rooms at Ritzes, and save them from travelling a yard on their feet unless they wanted to.

Now that contrast is so smart, rejuvenation-with-a-jacket is a prescription for your good and faithful suit. Choose (1) a rather "loud" tweed, checks, or something of the sort (if your skirt is plain); (2) a definite contrast in self-colour or (3) one of the very new multi-coloured cloths. Tell your tailor to cut your jacket to come well down over the hips and to round away the corners. The shoulders should be squared, and double-link buttons are a nice new touch. Have two sets of these, one to tone with the jacket, one to contrast. When you wear the latter, you match your accessories to them. A trifle, but trifles count.

After several of these elegant tours the Depression arrived—just as they were all set for a really extensive trip. They decided that they would have to wait for another year.

They waited for several years. Even then, though things were looking up they weren't looking as high as the plans for the journey. One day Mrs. D. confronted Mr. D. with a firm look in her eye.

Said she, "I'm not a hundred and I'm not decrepit. I'm still going strong and so are you. I don't need to travel on luxury liners, nice as they are. I can still get around enough to go on a small cheap ship, or even a freighter if that's all we can pay for. I don't need to have the best cabin or a private bath any more than I did when we first went travelling. I can get into a bus as well as ever I could and I can eat in a cheap cafe. We had fun doing all these things once, and I don't see why we can't now. We could just about afford it—let's take the trip."

Mr. D. agreed. They were gone two months and found that they were perfectly happy in a cheap cabin, that in some of the less visited countries their third-class accommodations turned out to be the same as first, and that when they didn't they could usually make an adventure of it. They had an even better time than on their previous trips and got back to find that business had picked up so that Mr. D. had made more money while he was away than in any two months for several years!

Then there was Miss A. who for years had made enough off her own bat to be more than comfortable with no help from her relations. She had a nice flat, a maid by the day, and a black caracul coat—and this, she thought, ought to be enough for anyone.

But one day the firm reorganized itself and her—and she got offered something at about half her former pay. She put up with it because she realized that even this was as much as a good many women get, and she didn't mind economizing, but she did loathe having people know that she wasn't making the money she used to make.

It then occurred to her that if she was really bright people needn't know. So she searched around until she found a one-room flat with a kitchenette and character and a view. She then gave out that she had found the kind of place she had always longed for and that she simply had to have it though it was a bit cramped.

Once settled, she entertained less often, but no less well, and kept on saying how busy she'd been—which was perfectly true as she now had to do most things for herself. However, when she did have a party there were white lilies—bought in a bargain basement—in a pale glass vase in the window; caviare—eked out with chopped egg—on the canapés; and crême de menthe—left from prosperous days—served with coffee. She seldom bought a theatre ticket or went to an expensive restaurant—though even this she did occasionally. And her home meals were miracles of nourishing economy.

Miss A's reward came one Sunday evening at a buffet supper—the only one she gave that season. She happened to mention that she had been helping a friend work out a very limited budget. Everyone laughed—"What do you, of all people, know about economy?" they said.

What indeed, thought Miss A, triumphantly.

ST. TICHON'S TEA DANSANT

Those who have bought tickets for the Tea Dansant in aid of St. Tichon's Orphanage, which will take place at the Arcadia on March 11, will welcome the assurance of the Committee that no request whatever to take "chances" on raffles, etc., will be allowed in the ballroom. Those who want to dance are not going to be bothered in any way at all.

A beautiful dress by Mme Garnett and a large jade pin will be raffled elsewhere in the building—but this will only concern the people who really want to take a chance at winning them.

The Grecian line in evening gowns is becoming more severe and sophisticated. In white satin and metal tissue it suits the ingenuous unsophisticated damsel. But translated into black chiffon or silk jersey cloth the Grecian style becomes really regal.

THE KING GIVES A STATE DINNER

King George VI decides to give a state dinner party he sends for the Earl of Cromer, Lord Chamberlain, and tells him the names of the principal guests when the King himself wishes to entertain.

Then the Lord Chamberlain discusses with the King who else shall be invited, and after several conferences, in which the Queen also takes part, the final list is settled.

Lord Cromer gives orders to his officers and the invitation cards, bearing "Their Majesties Command" to dine at Buckingham Palace, go out.

Two Week's Preparation

Perhaps two weeks before the date of the banquet the Master of the King's Household, tall, soldierly Sir Hill Child, passes on the King's orders to the chefs to prepare a menu.

The Queen looks over the chef's suggestions, perhaps substituting dishes that she thinks her guests would prefer, and finally the menu, usually consisting of ten courses, is chosen.

Four days before the dinner extra men and women come in to help the regular staff in the kitchens. Usually more than twenty extra cooks, kitchemaids, and so on are engaged.

In charge of them all is the King's new chef, M. Rene Roussin. He only took up his duties at Buckingham Palace a few weeks ago.

While all this is going on in the kitchens, there is bustle upstairs in the other departments of the Master of the House Household and the Lord Chamberlain's office in St. James's Palace.

The Queen's Choice of Flowers

Flowers to decorate the royal tables are another important point. The Queen selects the general colour scheme. A few hours before the guests arrive a court florist, with perhaps a dozen girl assistants, comes to the Palace.

State banquets usually start at 8.15. When the meal is ended, the King's piper, pipe-Major Forsyth, leads pipers of the Guards around the tables, playing Scottish airs. If the King is making a speech, all servants are ordered to leave until he has finished. By 10.15 the King and Queen and their guests move out of the banqueting room.

Democracy Creeps In

The King introduced a striking and democratic innovation at the recent state banquet to the King of the Belgians. When he rose to speak all the 180 gusets, according to tradition, rose with him.

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FUTURE IN N. CHINA

Mr. John Goette, a well-known foreign correspondent in China, in an interview with a Japanese newspaper, gives an interesting account of conditions in North China, which he recently left, and it is probably just as well that his observations should be recorded in connection with any consideration of the possible future for that part of this country. It is apparent from what he says that though there may be a degree of submissiveness amongst those Chinese still remaining in northern China, there will be at the same time a passive resistance which the Japanese, when it comes to developing that territory, may find not a little embarrassing.

"The railways, except for the Peiping-Mukden line, are in shambles; the departing Chinese took what rolling stock they could with them and destroyed the rest. Outside of Peiping and Tientsin everything possible has been burned. Mongolians from the border region, who used to furnish much wool for the American carpet trade, have stopped bringing wool down because the Japanese now act as middlemen.

"The Chinese, suspicious because the Peiping light and power works have been taken over by the Japanese in trust for their former Chinese owners, have become afraid of investments. Foreign firms, with their goods tied up in warehouses because of lack of transportation to the interior, see no chance of trade for a long time.

The last blow to foreign investment possibilities is that import-export restriction is considered by the Japanese. How can they expect any foreign firm to invest when they may tell it the next day that it can't export. The foreigners won't take the chance.

"And so many Chinese have been ruined by the turnover that outside the cities the country is crowded with bandits; not bandits in any real sense, but people forced to pillage and steal because they have lost everything.

The position seems to be that there has been so much economic devastation already in North China that this fact, taken together with the wholesale flight of wealthy Chinese, has created such unstable conditions that it will take very many years before the country is again in such a position that it will be able to embark upon its own rehabilitation.

On the other hand, Japanese economic authorities appear to be of the opinion that at least Yen 1,000 million will be required for the development of North China. But it is apparent from an article appearing in the "Hochi" that this money is not for the actual rehabilitation of the Chinese in North China but for the establishment of a large number of Japanese industrial undertakings At the present time the provincial government at Peiping has taken over all Maritime Customs in North China and is going to set up the Federated Reserve Bank of China. And in this connection it is reported that Japanese authorities and others in Peiping are pressing upon the Japanese Government for a decision as to how they are to raise the necessary funds for what is, after all, the Japanese development of that part of the country. The general scheme which appears to have been formulated requires much expenditure especially for investment in and repair of railways, ports, harbours and river improvements and the establishment of large industrial enterprises. For example, it is reported that five spinning mills belonging to Japanese are being constructed in Tientsin, the Nakayama Steel Works is now expanding its plant in the same city, while the Toyoda interests have recently purchased a site for the assembling of motor cars. In addition to these there are plans afoot for the immediate operation of a paper mill company, and the establishment of chemical works, dye-stuff works, and bean-milling works. At the present time the Japanese industrial interests in Tientsin cover 49 factories, representing an investment of Yen 126,703,000, and from the estimate of the further amount required it is apparent that the immediate Japanese programme amounts to the approximate multiplication by nine of the amount of money which has already been invested in Tientsin. From the list of undertakings which the Japanese contemplate it would seem that a substantial number of them will pay no profits for a fair number of years. It is even suggested that it may be necessary to contemplate something in the nature of an eight year plan. Much of the required investment will have to go into the re-establishment of amenities already destroyed either during the fighting or by the Chinese in their retreat before the Japanese invasion.

It is clear from what Mr. Goette says that the Japanese can depend upon little or no Chinese capital support. That must be so, for the first to flee in a case of trouble are the wealthy, and the last to return when peace is restored are the same privileged class. This will be especially true of the Chinese in North China where, added to their natural fears, is a suspicion that they may be reduced to a condition of servitude somewhat different from the liberty which they possessed under their own possibly faulty régime. The Japanese up to the present have provided a budget of approximately Yen 7,250 million as their estimated war costs until the end of this year. That very obviously is not the end of the demands which have to be made upon them, for if the rehabilitation of North China is going to cost the Japanese in eight years alone Yen 1,000 million, what will be the cost when they have to undertake the reconstruction of the other vast areas which have now passed under their control or which may be expected so to do before hostilities come to an end? It has been stated that the Japanese are able to finance a war up to the extent of Yen 50,000 million. That, it is to be presumed, represents the money they are prepared to lay out on the actual necessaries of warfare. But, when the magnitude of the figure is considered, it becomes plain that post-war endeavours are likely to be just as expensive as those which they are at present incurring, if not more so. It has been frequently stated by Japanese authorities that they would heartily welcome the co-operation of foreign capital in the areas of which they are now the conquerors, but in view of the fact that so much of the money immediately to be laid out will not for years be profitable,—apart from any political considerations,—it is unlikely that foreign investors will be easily prevailed upon to supply such large sums of money as on the face of it appear to be necessary.

AMBASSADOR'S ARRIVAL

Sir Archibald Clark Kerr, H.M. Ambassador to China, who is succeeding Sir Hughe Knatchbull-Hugessen, arrived in Shanghai yesterday and the day, as far as British official life is concerned, was distinguished. There was an impressive guard of honour on The Bund to greet the Ambassador as he stepped ashore from H.M.S. Falmouth, and another at the British Consulate, where there was also an informal reception at which the Ambassador, within a few minutes of his arrival in China, was able to meet leaders of the British community. While these arrangements for the Ambassador were admirable to a degree, a much more satisfactory aspect was the number of British subjects who, sharing the pride of their nation in honouring the King's representative, attended the ceremony on The Bund and greeted him from a distance by their presence although they stood outside the roped-off enclosure. In the past, the arrival or departure of a British official has been either a family affair or a mere matter of ceremony accorded to the rank involved. Rarely did more than a handful of curious passers-by do more than pause to glance at the proceedings, and the change was left for newspaper reporters and photographers to record. Yesterday, however, was a pleasant contrast for a comparatively large number of British subjects turned out to make the Ambassador feel that his arrival is not a coldly official transfer of a diplomat but a matter in which the British community is profoundly concerned in these unprecedented times. Naturally, Sir Archibald was not able to impart to the press any extensive outline of British policy in China but he gave the definite assurance that his instructions are that British rights are to be adequately protected. Sir Archibald's task in the light of existing conditions is no light one, but it is hoped that yesterday's welcome will be a happy augury of his tenure of office and of the unquestioned faith placed in him by British subjects in China.

AMENDE HONORABLE

The reply of this journal's musical critic to the letters recently appearing in the correspondence columns relative to his treatment of the Municipal Orchestra's symphony concert last Sunday, will it is hoped close the matter. The question of criticism is always a difficult one as this newspaper has repeatedly emphasized, and it is very difficult indeed to avoid hurting people's feelings, especially in so comparatively small a community as Shanghai. In the arts there must of necessity be a considerable amount of very real enthusiasm, there would be no art if there were none, and the more enthusiastically people approach their subject the more sensitive are they likely to become on the one hand, and on the other the more severe the critic. For criticism is just as much an art as the rest of them. The differences of opinion over music are at times just as likely to lead to heroic battle as the differences between sinologues, and Shanghai has witnessed some wordy struggles in connection with that subject. The worst critic of all is he who approaches his subject from a completely blasé point of view, praising with faint damns as often as he damns with faint praise. In his enthusiasm F.A. was not so felicitous in his use of English as he might have been. He has now frankly admitted it and properly apologized, and it is hoped that that will be the end of the matter. This journal willingly accepts his assurance that he was being perfectly impersonal in what he was writing. It would be contrary to its very old traditions to allow personalities to creep into such columns, and if his intended humour has been mistaken for a somewhat ruthless sarcasm, it was unfortunate. It should be borne in mind, however, that humour is probably more difficult an art than music, because it cannot be played on an instrument.

A COUNTRY DIARY

Feb. 23.—I have often remarked in my diary what wonderful mimics most singing birds are. Just at this time of year when bird-song is beginning to swell up with thoughts of spring any observant person may note this in his own garden. The best way to hear the song of birds is, of course, to have a tree outside your bedroom window so that Blackbird or Bulbul may entertain you in the early hours without any effort on your part: but as I have the habit of going further afield when many (possibly more sensible) people are fast asleep, I meet with many strange examples of bird-song....as witness what happened to me this morning. Walking through very unclean-looking fields in the near country, I suddenly detected the glorious song of what was obviously a Tientsin or Mongolian Lark (pardon me, *Melanocorypha mongolica*). I walked across the field and found the songster in the usual high round cage, which was placed on the grass, with a spell-bound Chinese youth standing about twenty yards away listening to the music: as I approched, the bird suddenly stopped singing: there was complete silence as I approached to within the same distance as the youngster.....then out of the silence came the most lifelike imitation of a cat .... "*Mee-aouw-mee-aouw-mee-aouw*": the bird was looking at me and literally "giving me the bird," if any living creature ever did it: the Chinese youth grinned and I felt ashamed for disturbing this little idyll. So I retreated in good order, and had no sooner turned my back than the bird restarted the same glorious song which had originally attracted my attention. If that feathered imp had called me a "*Yang Kwei*" I could not have felt worse. But as I trudged home through the mud and slush I had this comforting thought....that if I had been a woman I might have taken the insult more to heart.

IN PARENTHESIS

Tactless

"WHEN are you going to play football, grannie?" asked the little boy. "Dad says we can have a new car when you kick off."

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Idea

A WESTERN idealist suggests giving badges to taxpayers. But wouldn't red caps be more appropriate? says a victim. They've been holding the bags so long

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Fan Mail

THE fan mail of a popular personality is not so modern a development as many of us think. Over a century ago, for instance, Sir Walter Scott wrote, a trifle irritably, in his "Journal":—

"I am annoyed beyond measure with the idle intrusion of voluntary correspondents.

"I believe the postage costs me £100 a year, besides innumerable franks.

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Speed Test

To test out the comparative speeds of various vehicles as well as pedestrians in city traffic, eight persons travelled a mile by different methods during the noon rush hour in Chicago's busiest downtown section. The best time was made by a bicyclist, 11½ minutes; tied for second place was a passenger in a taxicab and another in an elevated train, with 11¾ minutes as their record; an auto driver was fourth, 12 minutes; horseback rider, 12½ minutes; pedestrian, 12¾ minutes; bus rider, 28 minutes, and street car passenger 24 minutes.

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Patter

A fool and his money are some party.

HE didn't carve his career—he chiselled it.

No horse can go as fast as the money you bet on him.

One of those politicians whose greatest asset is his lie-ability.

Indian Chief's definition of skiing: "Whoosh! Then walk a mile."

You can read some people like a book, but you can't shut them up as easily.

The motto of some countries these days: business as usual during altercations.

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Accountant

A STORY of a husband's not very successful efforts to interest his wife in bookkeeping, in order that some sort of check could be kept on the family budget, was told at the annual dinner of the Scottish Division of the Electrical Power Engineers' Association held in Edinburgh recently.

The husband presented his better half with £20 and a small book, telling her to enter what she received on one side, and what she spent on the other.

A fortnight later he examined the book and read the entry:—"Received from Bill, £20." Facing it was the announcement:—"Spent it all."

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Diary

MANY of the diaries begun with high hope last month have by now reached the scrappy stage, if they still exist at all.

But one young friend of mine is making a spirited effort to carry his record on indefinitely (writes a correspondent). Being privileged to scan his entries I noticed the following:

James—born 1928.

James—died 1998.

"Why 1998?" he was asked.

"Oh!" he returned airly, "I had to put something in, but it's in pencil anyway, so I can always alter it if I should live longer."

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House Money

THE Rev. Douglas Potter told the following story at a meeting of old-age pensioners at Cowdenbeath:—

A miner took home his wage of 32s. 6d. and handed 30s. to his wife, keeping the half-crown to himself. The next week his wage was again 32s. 6d. but this time he kept the 30s. to himself and gave his wife 2s. 6d.

"Losh, John," she said, "how do you expect me to keep the house on 2s. 6d: it was bad enough with 30s?"

"You're right there woman. I had some struggle to live on the 2s. 6d. myself," he replied.

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Safety First

THE manager of a chemist's shop was called out one day, and had to leave his new assistant in charge of the premises. When he returned, the assistant said:

"A customer came in while you were out, sir."

"Oh! What did he want?"

"He was rather groggy, so I mixed him a tonic."

"What did you give him?"

"A general mixture. A bit of this and a bit of that."

"But you don't know anything much about it."

"Oh, that's all right—I got him to sign the poison-book."

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Idiot's Delight

"ONLY idiots are happy," remarked a gentleman before he shot himself, thus leaving the world uttering not only a platitude but a half truth which has long ago been discarded by even the gloomiest intellectuals who spend their lives being sorry for themselves in Bloomsbury.

Although it may be true that a high intelligence finds happiness harder to achieve because it has higher ideals, a keener sense of justice, and a fuller realization of the possibilities of life under Utopian conditions, it cannot also be said that all stupid people are happy because they are almost unconscious.

For example, you may take the business world, where the lowest intelligences often make the highest incomes.

THE WEATHER

The temperature near Holy Trinity Cathedral Shanghai for 24 hours ending 7 p.m.

Yesterday	Min.	39.0	Max.	55.0
Same date, 1937	Min.	36.5	Max.	43.0

Rainfall nil.

Siccawei Recordings:—

Yesterday	Min.	34.3	Max.	58.1
Same date, 1937	Min.	35.2	Max.	42.4

Siccawei's Report

State on the morning of the 23rd:—Rather high anti-cyclone spreading all over the Far East. Variable breezes around Shantung and over our regions. North-easterly winds over the Eastern Sea and Formosa. Fine weather in the north. Cloudy over our regions and at sea.

State on the morning of the 24th:—High and steady pressure. Easterly breeze. Fine weather. Probabilities, 4.30 p.m. yesterday:—Fine weather with morning mist around Shantung, over our regions, the Eastern Sea and Formosa. Moderate northerly to easterly winds all along the Coast, rather fresh in the Formosa Strait.—Siccawei Observatory.

BRITISH AMBASSADOR ARRIVES IN SHANGHAI

Guards of Honour Greet Sir Archibald Clark Kerr At Customs Jetty and Consulate

SAFEGUARDS FOR MERCHANTS' RIGHTS

SIR Archibald Kerr Clark Kerr, K.C.M.G. the new British Ambassador to China, arrived in Shanghai late yesterday morning in H.M.S. Falmouth, after several days of delay due to bad weather. His official functions upon his arrival included the inspection of two Guards of Honour, the attending of an informal reception at the residence of the Consul-General, and the holding of a brief press conference. Accompanied by Lady Kerr, Sir Archibald travelled out from London by boat and aeroplane, and is now staying at the Cathay Hotel.

Sir Archibald was appointed British Ambassador to China after the wounding of Sir Hughe Knatchbull-Hugessen, the then British Ambassador, by machine-gun fire from Japanese aeroplanes while on the road from Nanking to Shanghai. Sir Hughe arrived in China in September, 1936, on board the ss. Chitral.

With the Ambassador's flag flying at her fore-mast, H.M.S. Falmouth came slowly up past The Bund at 11.15 a.m.

On the arrival of the Falmouth, Mr. R. G. Howe, H. M. Charge d'Affaires, went aboard to meet the Ambassador, accompanied by Mr. Herbert Phillips, H.M. Consul-General in Shanghai, Mr. A. D. Blackburn, Chinese Counsellor, and Mr. J. D. Greenway, First Secretary to the Embassy. When the party arrived by launch at the Customs Jetty, where a Guard of Honour from the Loyal Regiment was awaiting them, the Consul-General introduced Sir Alexander to Major-General A. P. D. Telfer-Smollett, who was among those waiting on the jetty to greet the Ambassador. Among others at the jetty wereJudge Sir Allan Mossop; Mr. C. S. Franklin, chairman of the S.M.C.; Mr. G. G. Phillips, secretary of the S.M.C.; Messrs. H. E. Arnhold, C. H. Arnhold, R. Calder-Marshall, Harold Porter, P. W. Massey, E. B. Macnaghten, V. St. Killery, J. R. Jones, H. G. W. Woodhead; Mr. A. H. George, acting Commercial Counsellor; Mr. E. A. Long, secretary to the Consular Body; Major F. W. Gerrard, Commissioner of Police; Major K. M. Bourne, Deputy Commissioner of Police; and a number of other civil, army, navy, consular and diplomatic officials and their ladies. The policing arrangements were under the direction of Mr. H. D. M. Robertson, Assistant Commissioner of Police, and the Traffic Office.

Sir Archibald and Lady Kerr arrived shortly before noon in a pinnace from the Falmouth, the Ambassador's flag being flown from a jury mast rigged up in the bow. As they stepped ashore, little Miss Bunty Mathews, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Mathews, who was accompanied by Mrs. J. S. Whitney, chairman of the British Women's Association, curtsied and presented Lady Kerr with a huge bouquet of deep red carnations. Then, overcome with shyness, she ran back to Mrs. Whitney, not however, without remembering to curtsey once more as Lady Kerr expressed her thanks.

Takes the Salute

As the British Ambassador approached the Guard of Honour, the command "A Royal Salute" rang out. The Guard presented arms, and as the band played the first few bars of the National Anthem, the Colours dipped in salute. After taking the salute, Sir Archibald proceeded to inspect the Guard of Honour before entering the car placed at his disposal and driving off to the British Consulate.

Here, there was a brief pause in order to allow the various guests invited to arrive from the Customs Jetty before the British Ambassador went through a similar ceremony of taking the salute and inspecting a Guard of Honour furnished by the Durham Light Infantry.

Sir Archibald and Lady Kerr, the official welcoming party, and those attending the reception then proceeded to H. M. Consulate-General where Sir Archibald had his first opportunity of meeting some of the many people with whom he will come into contact during his stay in China. For the time being, Sir Archibald and Lady Kerr will be staying in the Cathay Hotel.

Interview to Press

Definite assurances that everything possible would be done to safeguard the rights of British traders and business men in China were given to members of the Press yesterday by Sir Archibald at a special press conference in the afternoon. Asked whether he could assure local Britons and Britons throughout China that their interests would be safeguarded to the fullest possible extent, Sir Archibald said, "Certainly I will." Sir Archibald, in the course of the interview, denied rumours that he was bringing a "peace plan" to China. "I first heard rumours of this peace plan when I arrived in Hongkong, he stated, "but I wish to deny these reports, as they are quite untrue."

In reply to a question whether he was empowered to make any negotiations with the Japanese authorities Sir Archibald said that he was not likely to enter into any negotiations unless any special occasion should arise which would necessitate them. "My instructions," he said, "are that British rights are to be adequately protected." Sir Archibald stated that he specific instructions to enter into negotiations with the Japanese.

Replying to a question as to whether he had any instructions with regard to censorship of the cables, and

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Anglo-Italian Talks in Rome Due Next Week

Four-Power Pact Envisaged in Approach to Berlin

PUBLICATION REFUSED OF CORRESPONDENCE

London, Feb. 23.

Negotiations between Great Britain and Italy with a view to solving all problems considered as obstacles to firm friendship between the two countries, will open in Rome towards the end of next week.

Lord Perth, British Ambassador to Italy, will arrive here to-morrow night to receive full instructions on Friday from the Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, and Lord Halifax, Lord President of the Council temporarily in charge of the Foreign Office.

Count Dino Grandi, Italian Ambassador to the Court of St. James' will leave for Rome early next week to attend the meeting of the Grand Fascist Council on March 3. He will most likely take part in the Anglo-Italian talks.

It is understood that if the negotiations succeed, Count Grandi may not return to London and may receive a high post in the Italian Government as a reward for the success of his mission in Great Britain.

Mr. Chamberlain refused a request to publish the correspondence exchanged between the British and Italian Governments on the subject of the forthcoming negotiations.

The request was made to-day in the House of Commons by Mr. Geoffrey Mander, Opposition Liberal member for East Wolverhampton, who stated that he would raise a debate on this question in the House shortly.

The forthcoming negotiations may turn out successfully if Italy's collaboration in the protection of Austria's territorial integrity could be secured, as this is the only point in which Italy could give as much as she asks, political circles here stated to-day. They expressed scepticism because Italy's means to action and of pressure in any negotiations are mainly due to her association with Germany, and Rome will therefore be compelled to refrain from any gesture likely to detach her from the Reich.

Herr von Ribbentrop Delays

Owing to the British crisis and his duties as Foreign Minister, Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop, former Ambassador to Great Britain, has delayed for a few days his trip to London to take leave of British Government officials.

Political circles here understand that instructions have already been sent to Sir Neville Henderson, British Ambassador to Germany, with a view to paving the way in Berlin in favour of a visit to London of the German Foreign Minister next week. This is interpreted as the British Cabinet's determination to adopt a four-Power pact policy, and not a mere attempt to dissociate Italy from the Rome-Berlin axis.

It is Great Britain's intention to push the negotiations with Italy and start similar discussions with Berlin as soon as an Anglo-Italian accord is in sight.

It is understood that the colonial problem will be the principal subject of any eventual Anglo-German negotiations.—Havas.

French Forecast of "Demands"

Paris, Feb. 24.

It is learned, says Mme. Tabouis writing in the "L'Œuvre" to-day, that Italy will put the following demands to Great Britain:—

1. "Naval parity with Great Britain in the Mediterranean;

2. The right to control the international foothold in the Balearic Islands for many years to come, though offering perhaps not to instal herself there alone.

Italy, Mme Tabouis adds, also wants a loan of £30,000,000 from Great Britain.

"It looks," she concluded, "as though difficulties could be expected in the Anglo-Italian negotiations."—Reuter.

Germany Accepts British Plan

Berlin, Feb. 24.

Transocean learns that the German Government decided to accept the British plan for the withdrawal of foreign volunteers from Spain and that a notification of this decision to the Non-Intervention Committee is impending.—Trans-Ocean.

Removal of Goods from C.M.S.N. Wharves

Permission will be granted for the removal of Japanese-owned or foreign-owned goods from the wharves of the China Merchants' Steam Navigation Company, a spokesman for the Japanese naval authorities announced yesterday.

Applications are to be handled by a committee representative of Japanese firms in Shanghai, and the initial period during which such movements will be allowed will extend from March 1 to 31 inclusive. The Japanese naval authorities will not be responsible for loss or damage of goods, the spokesman stated.

British Steamer Shelled Off Spain

London, Feb. 23.

The British steamer Shetland sent a wireless message to its owners to-day reporting it had been shelled off the Valencia coast, Lloyd's reported here. The ship was said to have been slightly damaged. No casualties were reported, however.—United Press.

Britain Willing To Try to Find Basis of Peace

War Inevitability Idea Not Acceptable

DANGERS EMPHASIZED

Sir Samuel Hoare Speaks on Government's Aims

London, Feb. 23.

The Home Secretary, Sir Samuel Hoare, speaking at the National Chamber of Trade lunch in London to-day, said that for months past Europe had seemed to be irrevocably splitting itself into two hostile camps.

Both, he said, were arming with feverish activity. In both alike there were rumours, very dangerous rumours, of an inevitable clash. In circumstances such as these, a great responsibility rested on the British Government.

The Government were not prepared to accept the inevitability of war. They did not believe that a catastrophe must come. They were determined to make a sustained effort to drive the haunting fear of war out of the hearts of the men and women in Europe. They might fail in their attempt, but he asked the country to believe in their integrity.

This, Sir Samuel Hoare said, was no cowardly and shady negotiation upon which they had embarked. It was an honest attempt to face the causes of difference and remove them with honour and justice to both sides.

Nor was it, in any sense, a sacrifice of old friends. It they wished to make new friends, he said, there could be no question of abandoning the old ones.

Questions Outstanding

Questions addressed to the Foreign Secretary were answered in the House of Commons to-day by the Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, who, to a question regarding Austria, said it was still not possible to estimate the exact effects of the Austro-German Agreement. He emphasized that His Majesty's Government were following the developments with close attention.

Mr. Chamberlain also stated that a communication had now been received from the Salamanca authorities in reply to the British Note of protest against attacks on British shipping.

The terms of the communication, he said, could not be regarded as satisfactory to His Majesty's Government. The reply to be returned to that communication was at present under consideration and he would prefer not to make any statement until it had been communicated to Gen. Franco's administration.—Wireless through Reuter.

HUNGARY POST-WAR DEBT WITH U.S.

Complete Settlement Within 30-Year Term Stated

Washington, Feb. 24.

A complete settlement of Hungary's post-war relief debt of $1,685,000 is announced by the Hungarian Minister here.

This action, the Minister states is not connected with the indebtedness of other Governments towards the United States, but is taken because Hungary does not distinguish between public and private debts, and having resumed payments, within her capacity to pay to other creditors, wishes to offer the same terms to foreign creditors.

Hungary proposes, says the Minister, that the principal, less $478,000 already paid in capital, and the interest be repaid in a series of annuities over a period of 30 years.

The debt was contracted in 1920 when the Hungarian Government purchased 13,890 tons of flour.—Reuter.

MR. T. V. SOONG IN HANKOW

Possibility of Appointment as Finance Minister

Hankow, Feb. 24.

Mr. T. V. Soong, former Minister of Finance, interviewed General Chiang Kai-shek immediately after his arrival here yesterday from Hongkong.

It is widely reported that Mr. Soong is being asked to join the Government. Many quarters believe that he will take over the Finance portfolio from Dr. H. H. Kung, thus allowing the letter to devote more time to affairs of the Executive Yuan, of which he is also the President.

One immediate result of Mr. Soong's arrival in Hankow has been to dispel all rumours of disagreement within the Soong family.

When Madame Chiang and her brother-in-law, Dr. Kung, visited Hongkong recently, reports were circulated here and abroad that both were trying to persuade Mr. Soong "to forget past differences and come to Hankow."—Reuter.

SMALLPOX EPIDEMIC ON WANE IN HONGKONG

More than 400 Infants Die from Disease

Hongkong, Feb. 24.

Medical authorities state to-day that the smallpox epidemic has reached its peak and is now expected to wane. So far 507 deaths have resulted from the disease.

When the number of deaths stood at 450 it included more than 400 children under two years of age, who had not been vaccinated.—Reuter.

BRITISH ARMY RECRUITS STILL POUR IN

London, Feb. 23.

Army recruiting continues to run at a much higher level than a year ago. Regular army recruits last week totalled 645, an increase of 184 over the corresponding week last year, and the highest for that week since 1933.—Wireless through Reuter.

H.M. AMBASSADOR ARRIVES IN SHANGHAI

"N.C.D.N." Photos.

After flying to Hongkong from Baghdad, and travelling to Shanghai from the Colony on board H.M.S. Falmouth, Sir Alexander Clark Kerr, H.M. Ambassador to China, arrived in Shanghai yesterday. In the top picture, Sir Alexander is seen, centre, after stepping ashore at the Customs Jetty. Judge Sir Allan Mossop is on the extreme right, second from right is Major-General A. P. D. Telfer-Smollett, next to the Ambassador on his right is Lady Kerr, and second from left is Mr. Herbert Phillips, H.M. Consul-General. Lower left, the Colours of the Durham Light Infantry are paraded in the Consulate grounds, where the Ambassador was greeted by a Durhams Guard of Honour, and, lower right, the Ambassador, accompanied by Major-General Telfer-Smollett, walks across to inspect the Guard.

BRITISH LABOUR CHALLENGES GOVERNMENT

General Election Demanded Over Foreign Policy: Breach of Pledges Alleged

London, Feb. 24.

AFTER a meeting of the National Council of Labour—the Executives of the Labour Party, the Parliamentary Labour Party and the Trade Union Council—a manifesto was issued which challenged the Government to submit to an immediate General Election the change which, it alleged, had been made in the Government's foreign policy.

The document states: "The Prime Minister and the majority of the Cabinet have disregarded the pledges upon which the National Government gained the nation's confidence at the last General Election. They have deserted the League of Nations, brought the League Covenant to derision and abandoned the principles which have hitherto inspired the British people in their international relations."

The manifesto further contended that the Government had decided to enter upon negotiations with the Government of Italy "under conditions which involve a betrayal of the friendship and confidence of the democratic nations. The Government has refused to make a stand in defence of International Law."

The policy of the Government, the manifesto concluded, imperilled the security of the country and the Commonwealth.

The British Labour Movement, therefore, "reaffirms its uncompromising opposition to any agreement with either Fascist Italy or Nazi Germany on the basis indicated by the Prime Minister in his statement to Parliament."

Mr. Eden's Successor?

Speculation is still active over the question of Mr. Anthony Eden's successor as Foreign Secretary, Reuter's Lobby Correspondent reported yesterday.

Four names are being discussed: Viscount Halifax, Lord President of the Council, who has been placed in temporary charge of the Foreign Office; Sir Thomas Inskip, Minister for the Co-ordination of Defence; Mr. W. S. Morrison, Minister of Agriculture, and Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, Secretary of State for the Dominions.

Lord Halifax is ruled out because he does not sit in the House of Commons, although the idea is mooted that he may remain in charge of the Foreign Office during the Anglo-Italian negotiations. In this event, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Prime Minister, would answer for the Foreign Office in the House of Commons.

There are substantial obstacles, the correspondent says, to the transference of Sir Thomas Inskip from the Ministry of the Co-ordination of Defence, where he is deeply involved in intricate work.

Mr. Morrison, he continues, is a man of marked ability, but doubts are heard whether he carries the necessary weight for the Foreign Office.

Mr. MacDonald, the correspondent says, has Mr. Eden's flair for "managing the House of Commons" and is an attractive negotiator.

The most likely choice at present, however, is the temporary appointment of Lord Halifax with Mr. Chamberlain taking charge in the House of Commons.

Newspaper Comment

The conflicting views on the issues raised by the resignation of Mr. Anthony Eden, which were expressed in the House of Commons debate, were reflected yesterday in newspaper comment. Support for the attitude taken up by Mr. Eden is confined almost entirely to the Opposition press, but on all sides, there is full recognition of the high conviction by which the former Foreign Secretary was guided.

Attention is called in "The Times" to one aspect of the crisis which has not perhaps been fully appreciated in certain foreign countries where less freedom of criticism is allowed in Parliament and press.

"The Times" says that the British belief in the value of publicity as a political safeguard, has been fortified during the past two days.

"The full and frank debate in which the House of Commons has investigated the origin of the disagreement between Mr. Eden and his colleagues, has now largely restored a sense of proportion. It has been an elementary vindication of the institution of Parliament. Nothing has been glossed over or hushed up. Criticism is free and the critics will continue to be heard. But the world has no excuse for misconceiving an event which means no more at the bottom than that the British Government, while faithful to its friendships and its principles, will devote new energy to a thorough test of what may be done by a more positive diplomacy for the elimination of the causes of international suspicion and hostility."

No Rebuff to League

Proceeding, it says that the conversations with Italy are no rebuff to the League, nor in any sense a dis-service to it. The conversations will allow of mutual test of the fundamental intentions.

Mr. Eden wished to obtain concrete evidence of Italian good-will before beginning any entry into conversations which implies on either side to rejection."—Wireless and Reuter.

"Mr. Chamberlain," says "The Times," "rightly held that it would be wrong, in principle, to reject the offer of the parley, or to state in advance conditions that would amount to rejection."—Wireless and Reuter.

KING PAYS SECOND VISIT TO B.I.F.

London, Feb. 23.

The King this morning paid his second visit to the British Industries Fair. He visited the Earls' Court sections and spent a considerable time in the Empire section. This afternoon, the King and Queen paid a private visit to the spring flower show of the Royal Horticultural Society.—Wireless through Reuter.

Point Island Still Closed to Public

In response to a question by the "North-China Daily News" at the Japanese press conference yesterday afternoon regarding the present position vis-a-vis Point Island, the spokesman said that the island was still being used for military purposes, and no passes, therefore, could be issued to anyone, not even former foreign residents or owners of property there. He could give no indication as to when such passes might be granted.

Japanese Diet In Uproar Over Emergency Bill

Constitution Contravened by Measure, Alleged

MINISTERIAL REPLY IS DEMANDED BY HOUSE

Tokyo, Feb. 24.

The circumstances leading to the presentation of the highly controversial National Mobilization Bill to the Diet was explained this afternoon in the Lower House by Mr. Koki Hirota, Foreign Minister, on behalf of Prince Konoye, the Premier, who is indisposed.

The Bill, Mr. Hirota declared, would "enable the effective attainment of the Government's objective in time of war through the concerted assistance of the entire nation."

Mr. Takao Saito, an authority on the Japanese Constitution, declared that the measure was devised to "inflict serious restrictions in time of war on the lives, properties and liberties of the Japanese nation."

Warning Uttered

Therefore, he said, a very prudent examination was necessary, especially to discover whether the bill conflicted with the operation of the Constitution, notably Article XXXV.

Once the Bill was passed, Mr. Saito emphasized, national mobilization could be enforced by ordinance, and no intervention from the Diet would be permitted.

Mr. Saito warned the Government not to act arbitrarily.

Mr. Taki, President of the Planning Board, was proceeding to the rostrum to reply on behalf of the Government when an outcry arose from members who demanded that a State Minister should answer Mr. Saito.

The up-roar was such that the sitting had to be suspended.—Reuter.

MR. OLIVER STANLEY ILL WITH HIGH FEVER

London, Feb. 23.

After the ordinary weekly meeting of the Cabinet, the President of the Board of Trade, Mr. Oliver Stanley, was taken ill, and the following bulletin was issued:

"Mr. Oliver Stanley, who has been under medical care for several days, is suffering from cholecystitis. He had an acute attack this morning after returning from a Cabinet meeting, and is now confined to bed with a high temperature." — Wireless through Reuter.

Western Japan Gets Its First Air Raid Scare

Alarm Sounded in Kyushu on News from Hangchow

CONFLICTING REPORTS ON THE TAIHOKU BOMBING

With Wednesday's successful air raids over Formosa behind them, the Chinese air force was again active yesterday, and reports were frequent that further attempts were being made to fly over Japanese territory. Two reports from widely separated areas stated that Chinese squadrons had been observed heading towards Japan, but up to early this morning there was no news of them reaching Japanese territory.

The first of these reports, which caused the Japanese to sound the air-raid alarm throughout Kyushu, including Nagasaki, at 11.40 a.m. yesterday, reached Shanghai through Reuter's agency, who stated that the Japanese in Fukuoka had received information that twelve Chinese planes were seen passing over Hangchow eastward in the direction of Japan.

United Press brought a report from Tokyo that ten Chinese planes were sighted over the sea north-east of Formosa at 11.40 a.m., resulting in a general alarm throughout Formosa. The planes were reported to have avoided the island, heading to the north-east in the direction of Japan.

Near Woosung

Adding confirmation to these reports of renewed Chinese aerial activity is the report from foreign sources that yesterday morning about 9.30 o'clock Chinese aeroplanes were seen over the Yangtze estuary near Woosung, heading in an easterly direction. Sounds of gunfire were heard and although it was stated that bombs were dropped on the Japanese fleet of transports off Woosung it is believed that anti-aircraft fire from Japanese warships anchored in the river was responsible for the disturbance.

Reuter reported last night that the all-clear signal was given in Kyushu at 4.25 p.m. yesterday when no planes had appeared after nearly five hours from the first alarm.

Twenty One Bombers

According to the Chinese pilots who participated in yesterday's visit to Formosa, altogether 21 Chinese bombers took part in the raid.

Weather conditions were ideal. Before bombing, the Chinese 'planes circled above the aerodrome at Taihoku, the capital of Formosa, to observe the whereabouts of Japanese aeroplanes and hangars and also to see if there were Japanese 'planes in the air or anti-aircraft batteries on the ground.

Apparently the raid was a complete surprise, for throughout the visit, they declare, not a single anti-aircraft gun was fired, nor did a single Japanese 'plane take to the air.

After releasing their bombs, the Chinese aircraft circled over the aerodrome and other places in Formosa for over twenty minutes.

The Chinese posts saw columns of black smoke issuing from the air-field where, it is claimed, at least forty Japanese 'planes were destroyed and many hangars set on fire.

All the Chinese aircraft returned to their base in safety.

The Chinese press gives much prominence to-day to the account of the raid, saying that the base of the Japanese air raids on Canton has been destroyed. They also hail it as the first occasion that Chinese aircraft have raided any part of the Japanese Empide.—Reuter.

Little Damage

Material losses from the two Chinese air raids on Formosa on Wednesday were limited to the destruction of "several civilian houses," Japanese Army and Navy spokesmen declared yesterday. Chinese claims of having destroyed several Japanese aircraft grounded at the Taihoku aerodrome were denied.

Gloucester Gladiators

Tokyo, Feb. 24.

The Chinese aeroplanes appeared to come from Foochow and Swatow, according to the Taihoku correspondent of the "Asahi Shimbun" this morning.

Experts declared that the 'planes were Gloucester Gladiators, the correspondent added.

It was officially reported that the casualties at Taihoku were seven persons killed and twenty injured, and at Shinchiku one person killed and nine injured.—Reuter.

Tokyo Anxiety

Tokyo, Feb. 24.

The Chinese air raid on Formosa yesterday took the Japanese completely by surprise and has given rise to a great deal of anxiety. Instructions have been sent out to all parts of Japan to increase the precautions against air raids.—Trans-Ocean.

Reprisals Expected

Hankow, Feb. 24.

An early Japanese reprisal for the Chinese air raid on Formosa yesterday is predicted as a result of the action of a Japanese scouting 'plane in visiting Hankow this morning, circling high above the aerodrome and taking pictures.

The Japanese machine, which kept to a high altitude, escaped the notice of observation posts on its way here, but three Chinese pursuit 'planes quickly went up when its presence over the air-field was discovered.

Japanese Planes Downed

London, Feb. 24.

Two Japanese planes were shot down in a long and bitter fight near Nanyung, Kwangtung, about seventy miles north-east of Canton, yesterday when eleven Chinese pursuit planes surprised a squadron of thirteen Japanese bombers, the Hongkong correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph news agency reported to-day.—United Press.

NEW COLONIAL SECRETARY FOR TRINIDAD

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Feb. 24.

Mr. J. Huggins, of the Malayan Civil Service, has been appointed Colonial Secretary in Trinidad.—Reuter.

MANY INJURED IN ATTACK ON CHINESE PAPER

Third Attempt to Wreck "Hwa Mei Wan Pao"

TERRORIST SHOT DEAD

Concession, Settlement Police in Action

Guns blazed furiously from both sides of Avenue Edward VII last evening as French and Settlement police opened fire on a terrorist who had hurled a hand grenade into the offices of the "Hwa Mei Wan Pao," American-owned Chinese daily newspaper. A bullet from a Settlement policeman finally found its mark, and caused the terrorist to collapse dead in the street. This, one of the most dramatic of the many terrorist outrages which have startled Shanghai in recent months, was the third attack on the offices of the "Hwa Mei Wan Pao" within a few weeks.

A Chinese detective constable attached to the S.M.P., was injured in the leg by flying shrapnel, but nevertheless whipped out his pistol and fired point-blank at the terrorist who was running for his life over to the Concession side of the street. Nine Chinese who were walking in the street close to the newspaper office, situated in Avenue Edward VII near Kiangse Road, were also injured by shrapnel, Mr. Einar Nielsen, a Dane, manager of Victor's Bar, on the Concession side, was slightly injured in the forehead, a Chinese girl employed at the bar was injured more seriously in the eye, a Russian customer was injured, and a Chinese boy employed as doorkeeper at Frascati's Bar, also the Concession side, was injured by flying glass when a police bullet went through the bar and lodged in the bedroom of the manager in the rear of the building. A watchman on duty inside the "Hwa Mei Wan Pao" offices was also slightly injured.

Police Open Fire

Approaching on foot from the direction of The Bund shortly before 6.45 p.m., the terrorist hurled the grenade, of the potato-masher type, into the front doorway of the office. It burst with a terrific crash and as splinters and debris flew in all directions, the terrorist quickly took to his heels and ran across the street to the Concession side. Although wounded, the Chinese detective blazed away with his gun, and a Settlement C.P.C. also drew his weapon and fired at the fugitive. French Police on the opposite side of the street swiftly joined in, and the man ran across to the Settlement side once again, being shot dead a short distance west of the newspaper offices.

Victims of the bombing were rushed to the Police Hospital and the Lester Chinese Hospital, but none of the injuries were believed to have been serious, with the exception of those sustained by Miss Betty Wong, the Chinese bar girl employed by Victor's Bar, who last night was being operated on at the Country Hospital. Miss Wong was badly injured in one eye.

Considerable Damage

The grenade went through the glass door leading into the newspaper offices, shattered all the glass, did considerable damage in the office itself and completely wrecked the barricading which had been put up around the windows of the office to protect it against further bombings. Mr. Hal P. Mills, editor of the "Hwa Mei Wan Pao", again escaped injury. Mr. Mills, it is understood, had left the office at about 5 p.m. This third attack is believed, as in the case of the other attacks, to have been inspired by pro-Japanese elements. The attack was a sequel to a succession of threatening letters which have been received from time to time by various members of the staff, including Mr. Mills himself.

A "North-China Daily News" reporter who visited the scene of the bombing soon afterwards found the offices of the "Hwa Mei Wan Pao" covered in debris. Across the street, a clean hole through the window of Frascati's Restaurant told of the police bullet which had missed its mark. Next door, at Victor's Restaurant, an employee told of a narrow escape, pointing to a hole through the window of the establishment. Believed to have been caused by a bullet, the hole was but a few feet from the chair where he had been sitting only a few seconds previously. Mr. Nielsen, the manager, who was injured, was in the Happyland Cafe, opposite Jessfield Park, on the fateful night when Japanese shells accounted for several men of the Ulster Rifles, and he himself was wounded on that occasion.

Closely following on the more serious attack on the "Hwa Mei Wan Pao" was a second terrorist outrage at House 5, Lane 56, Kiaochow Road, the residence of Mr. L. Z. Yuan, formerly of the "Shanghai Evening Post," who left Shanghai about a week ago. The attack occurred shortly before 7.30 p.m., a potato-masher type of hand grenade being hurled against the back door. Two panes of glass were broken, but no one was injured in the explosion.

CZECHS MUST FEAR SUDDEN ATTACK

Army Chief of Staff Informs Press of Defence Measures

Prague, Feb. 23.

Czechoslovakia must be prepared for a "brutal, quick attack by motorized forces assisted by an air force without warning," Gen. Luwig Krejci, Army Chief of Staff, told the press here to-day.

He said Czechoslovakia would have to organize her forces so as to defend the country without assistance, because her possible allies would be unable to aid her in the early days of any possible attack.

Construction of new fortifications of the Czechoslovakian frontier, however, has made rapid progress.

Among measures under consideration for further strengthening Czechoslovakian defences, he said, was a proposal to move the Skoda munitions works to a more central position from Pilsen.—United Press.

S.S.P.C.A. AND THE PIG QUESTION

Problem Not a New One, The Society Has for Past 5 Years Done Its Utmost to Stop Cruelty

MUCH has been written recently on the subject of alleged cruelty in connection with the transport of pigs from Nantungchow to Shanghai, during unloading on arrival, and in course of transport to the pig lairages or abattoirs.

As reference has been made to the S.S.P.C.A. in certain of the Press correspondence the Society feels called upon to make a public statement of its attitude and activities in this matter. Heretofore the Society has withheld such a statement as all details of work done will shortly be published in the Society's quarterly "The Blue Cross." Furthermore this matter has been the subject of correspondence between the S.S.P.C.A. and certain Municipal Departments and until their replies were received it would have been incorrect to publish a statement.

On February 9 the Secretary wrote to the Press inviting anyone interested to call at the Society's office, 184 Mohawk Road, when our work and views would be gladly explained. No-one called.

The S.S.P.C.A. appreciates however the fact that the humane spirit in Shanghai is awake to the suffering of animals and so feels the following details will be sympathetically read.

Problem Not New

In the first place, the pig problem is not a new one but has been brought more forcibly to the attention of the public since hostilities compelled the unloading of pigs on the Settlement and Concession Bunds. As there was no publicity when pigs were unloaded at Changwhapang (Woosung), Yangtzepoo and Nantao few people were interested in or investigated the business. The S.S.P.C.A. has, however, kept in touch with the matter for the past five years, the Inspector and Committee members visiting discharge points, lairages and slaughter houses. The Society has been repeatedly in correspondence or consultation with the several authorities within whose jurisdiction the matter lay, i.e. the interested municipal departments of Greater Shanghai, the Settlement and the Concession. In the Settlement our Inspector was given every facility to inspect trucks for overloading or other malpractice and permission to visit private slaughter houses, all of which are under P.H.D. supervision. In the Concession there are no private abattoirs.

By applying S.M.C. Motor Freight Vehicle Licence Clause (cond. 17 and 18) which provides respectively for the use of material to prevent slipping and against over-crowding the Inspector was repeatedly able to obtain Police prosecution of offenders. Beside transport by truck a smaller number of pigs were brought in by wheelbarrow from the Western district. Our Inspector and members studied this process, and our correspondence with the Municipal Authorities received sympathetic attention. In 1934 a humane clause (cond. 16) was added to the S.M.C. wheelbarrow licence conditions by which a Police Constable may take action when an animal is being conveyed in such a way as to cause preventable suffering. It should be noted the loading takes place outside municipal areas.

Much Cruelty in Outside Areas

In the outside areas where heretofore all loading took place our Inspector met much cruelty which unfortunately the responsible Authorities had not the means to check, the Chinese Penal Code having no humane provisions re animals, though there is no reason this lack should not be met in part by licence clauses as in other Chinese municipalities. The Society had repeated interviews, the co-operation of the China Society for the Protection of Animals, and in certain departments obtained a sympathetic hearing. As a result the Inspector had permission to visit necessary areas at Woosung and Nantao and his presence checked some cruelty. The use of sharp iron hooks for goading (several of which may be seen at the office) was the subject of correspondence leading to its official banning and thus became a much reduced practice. The Greater Shanghai Police, at certain points, took sympathetic action. The plucking of bristles from live pigs by the coolies in charge was investigated by the Society, the Inspector obtaining much evidence though here, again, the lack of legislation made it impossible to prevent the practice. The Chinese owners were the only parties legally entitled to bring action under the charge of "pilferage" and the Society had great difficulty in persuading them to do so. Several prosecutions did eventuate and the cruelty received some check. It will be remembered that certain sections of the local Press attacked the S.S.P.C.A. at the time for persecuting coolies by removing their only source of payment—an untrue statement as the Judge found they were adequately paid.

The present Pig Problem falls into two divisions:

(1) treatment prior to arrival at Settlement or Concession Bunds and

(2) treatment during unloading transport to lairage or abbattoir in these areas.

Loading at Nantungchow Investigated

The Inspector made a visit of investigation to Nantungchow to note methods of loading at that point and treatment of pigs en route. We have reason to believe that some of the dead animals seen unloaded at Shanghai are the result of ill-treatment to which they may be subjected prior to loading on the vessels. The journey from Nantungchow to Shanghai should take 8 to 12 hours which is not an unduly protracted period for the pigs to be kept unfed, or without water at this time of year. On occasion the vessels have been delayed by bad weather or lack of berthing space and the pigs have then obviously suffered as the mortality figures have shown. On occasion too the Society considers the shipping space has been inadequate.

On arrival at Shanghai, discharge being on the Settlement or French Bund, unloading from the vessel, loading into trucks and transport over Municipal Roads is under the supervision of Municipal Departments. The Inspector has watched discharge and loading operations over a period of two months. His notes show a steady decrease in the mortality rate. At times he noted great over-crowding which led to interviews and his subsequent visit to Tungchow.

As pigs with broken legs or other injuries which made it inhumane for them to be further transported were sometimes discharged from the vessels the Society considered these should be killed on the spot and our representation to the P.H.D. of the Settlement was successful in this respect.

On January 10 the Inspector was granted an interview by the P.H.D.

On January 15 the Shanghai Municipal Council published Notification 4909 which covers the inspection of pigs by responsible officers before unloading, a provision necessary for humane and public health reasons.

Difficulties of Discharge and Loading

The difficulty of removing pigs from deep lighters and of driving them up the ramps onto the trucks is appreciated when the time factor is urgent, but the Society considers there is at times an unnecessary amount of beating. Flat lengths of bamboo are employed, and while if the flat surface is applied the flexibility reduces the blow, too frequently the sharp, inflexible edge is used with vicious force.

The number of pigs per truck may be difficult to regulate but the Society has on file an official statement that about 35 per truck is considered correct. As transport facilities have been very difficult because of the great demand for trucks, laoding in excess of this figure has been noted, but provided each pig had adequate standing room no criticism was made, as anyone who takes the trouble to watch will see that pigs herd together and too much space would result in their being thrown about during rapid transport. However, the following figures noted by members of the Society, and tallying with the Custom's officer's figures, were recorded on Saturday, February 19, when pigs were discharged from the ss. Elsie Moller at the French Bund, in four trucks, 60, 70, 80 and 85 pigs respectively. As the floor space per truck was approximately 90 sq. feet, this gave between 1 and 1½ sq. feet only per pig. An additional available truck was used for 24 pigs and carried fifty coolies returning to the lairages.

The Society is aware that the Municipal Authorities have been greatly hampered in the last few months in their efforts to deal with the problem in a satisfactory manner inasmuch as the food supplies of this vast city had to be maintained, and the necessity for the quick clearing of berths at the various Bund pontoons resulted in the overcrowding of trucks. These points are frequently overlooked by the general public and their criticism of the Authorities in this matter is, to a very large extent, unreasonable and unjustified. The Society, however, views the problem from another angle and is not satisfied that all reasonable measures for the elimination of avoidable suffering have been taken. Representation is being made to the Authorities concerned with a view to improving without interfering with the food supply, the conditions under which these animals are transported to Shanghai, and with a view to improving the landing facilities and conditions of transport in Shanghai.

CHINESE MILLS NOT FOR SALE

Rumoured Depression Said to Be Unfounded

The rumour that Chinese cotton mills in the western area may be sold to Japanese interests was denied in responsible Chinese circles yesterday.

The rumour, emanating from Japanese sources, was to the effect that the Chinese mills had been hard hit by the absence of demand for their products and also lack of means to transport their goods to the interior.

In refuting the rumour, Chinese circles pointed out yesterday that Chinese manufactured cotton is in great demand in the interior, notably in Kwangtung. Kwangsi, Fukien, and Szechuen. As a result of the demands, prices of Chinese cotton has been pushed up, according to the report. The rumoured sale of Chinese mills to Japanese interests is strongly denied.

The good business enjoyed by Chinese cotton mills is due to lack of competition after the outbreak of hostilities. Patriotic Chinese in the interior are not using "foreign" goods, it is reported.

DAYLIGHT ROBBERS RAID TWO PLACES

Loot Worth $1,300 Taken by Armed Men

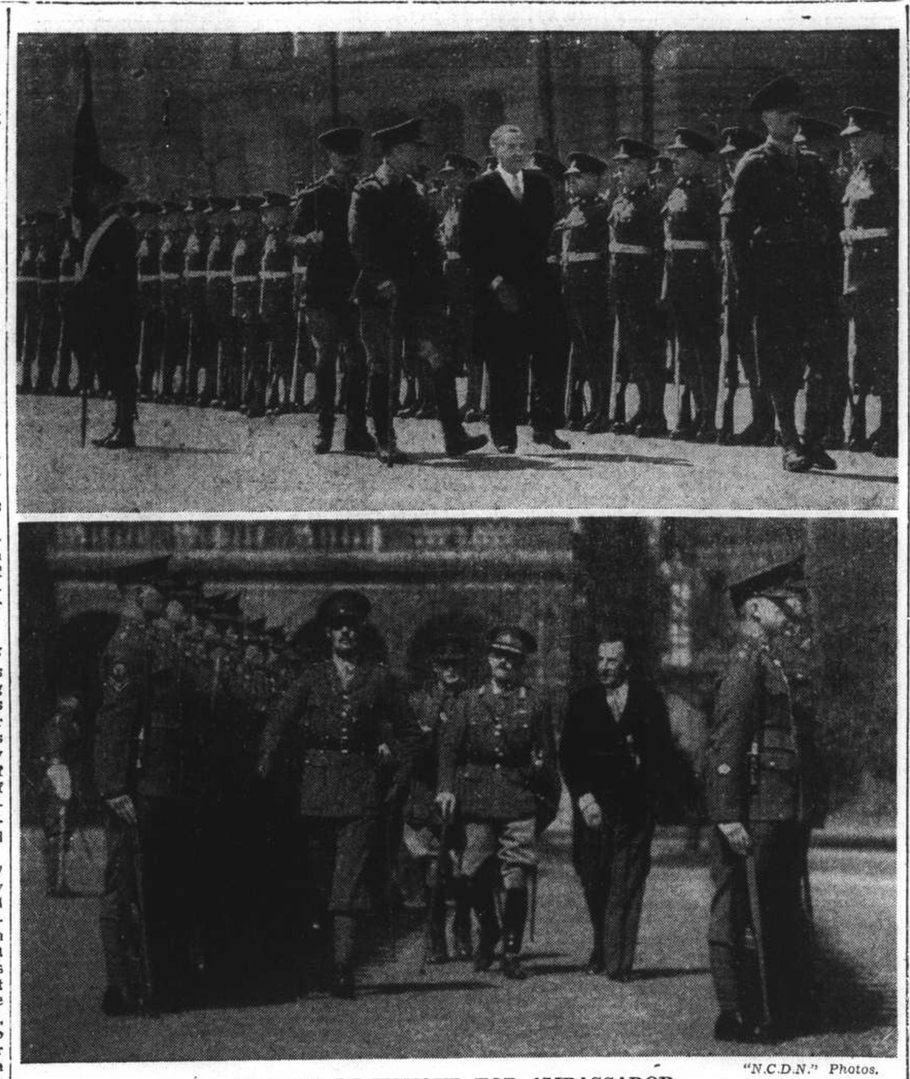
Two robberies yesterday morning yielded Chinese gangs a total of $1,300 loot, consisting of money, jewellery and clothing.

At 8.30 a band of five men, three of whom had pistols, ransacked House 6, Lane 98, South Hsiang Fun Loong, in the Louza district, and took property to the total value of about $1,000.

Shortly before 11 o'clock, three other men robbed the occupants of Room 25, House 886, Avenue Edward VII, at pistol-point, and escaped with some $300 worth of plunder.

No shots were fired by either gang.

FOLLOWING the adoption of a conservative policy by native banks, modern-style Chinese banks in Shanghai have also decided to operate their business along cautious lines, states a message to the "Sin Wen Pao" According to a certain banking leader, the banks do not encourage large deposits, although they will not decline to open accounts for such. At present, most of the deposits belong to current accounts, while fixed accounts make up only 10 to 20 per cent. of the total.



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GUARDS OF HONOUR FOR AMBASSADOR

Guards of Honour from two battalions were drawn up to greet Sir Alexander Clark Kerr on his arrival here yesterday. In the top picture, Sir Alexander is seen inspecting a Guard of Honour of the Loyal Regiment on The Bund, accompanied by Major-General A. P. D. Telfer-Smollett, and in the lower, inspecting a Guard of Honour from the Durham Light Infantry, in the grounds of H.M. Consulate-General.

EVENING PARTY TO BE HELD ON ST. GEORGE'S DAY

Ball Not Considered Appropriate Celebration: Mr. T. G. Drakeford New President

IN consideration of the fact that a ball is not considered to be an appropriate manner of celebrating St. George's Day this year, it was decided at yesterday's annual meeting of the St. George's Society to hold an evening gathering of members at one of the clubs in Shanghai. Mr. T. G. Drakeford was elected president of the ensuing year, in place of Mr. E. S. Wilkinson, while the five members elected to the committee to replace those retiring by rotation were Messrs. W. P. Lambe, Herbert Phillips, R. E. Stuartson, Dean A. C. S. Trivett and W. J. Ward.

In his speech, the president said:—

Referring to the entertainment account, you will notice this deals mainly with the coronation ball held on Friday, May 7 and you will see that in spite of the very high cost of running such an exceptional ball we were able to transfer $1,200 to the charity fund. In connection with this ball I would like to mention the fact that, in addition to the attendance of such distinguished guests as those mentioned in the printed report, we were especially honoured by the St. Andrew's Society, many members of which attended in their national costume as a compliment to our society on this very special occasion. There is no doubt in my mind that the ball was a great success from every point of view and was justified by the financial results attained for the benefit of charity.

The education fund continues to be a special matter of interest to the society which has always made a particular point of assisting in the education of children of English birth.

Increased Charity Commitments

Turning to the income and expenditure account, you will notice that the heaviest item consists of charitable disbursements and the total figure mentioned ($19,249.32) does not really give a true view of the commitments of this society for the reason that, owing to the recent hostilities in China, expenditure under this heading will probably be greatly increased during the current year. You will see from the income side of the account that the biggest item results from the Christmas Appeal, 1937, and I am glad to say that the total sum received now exceeds $7,000, and is a record for the society, which shows that our members are still very willing to take their share of the general hardship under such conditions as now exist. Our thanks are particularly due to the British Chamber of Commerce and the British Fund for Relief in China who are handing us funds collected from various sources, including the Lord Mayor's Fund in London so that we may dispose of these for the benefit of Englishmen who have suffered under recent conditions.

It is intended to send out a circular very shortly, asking members to bring forward any cases which might better be dealt with before the wolf actually knocks at the door. This matter is having the urgent attention of your charity committee. Referring back for a moment to the remarks of your president at the last meeting I am glad to note that the subscriptions from members has been increased to $1,900 and, although this is slightly less than the sum received in the year 1935, your committee feel that they have the support of members behind them and can look forward to an income in proportion to the number of Englishmen remaining in Shanghai.

As regards the balance sheet I think you will consider this to be quite satisfactory with the one exception that the market value of our investments has fallen below the book value based on cost. Such a state of affairs is inevitable under present conditions and your committee has taken every possible precaution to avoid the sale of investments at depreciated rates in order to conserve the general financial position of the society, sincerely hoping that market conditions may improve within the next few years. In this connection I think I should point out that, while in the year 1936 we were forced to transfer a total sum of $12,477 from our charity reserve fund in order to make both ends meet, during the difficult year of 1937 we only transferred the sum of $315, thus proving that all our exceptional calls were met by voluntary contributions.

An Eventful Year

This past year has indeed been an eventful one. In spite of local business depression it began in the most cheerful spirit with the celebration of the Coronation of H. M. King George VI, to which I have referred above and it ended in the general state of depression brought about by the Sino-Japanese hostilities. It has been a year of very great anxiety to your committee and I can only say that to my certain knowledge they have been considerably encouraged by the continuous support given to them by members under all conditions. We have at least always kept our flag flying.

The usual scholarship examination was held on April 2 with the results stated in the report now before you. Your committee can only repeat their thanks to all those who so kindly assisted as examiners, invigilators and with other forms of assistance as stated in the report.

It was only possible to hold one golf match this last year on April 18 which resulted in a win for St. George's Society with a quite reasonable margin. We still have the honour to hold the cup and are looking forward to a further competition at the earliest possible date—I may say with the utmost confidence that we shall still be able to retain this valued trophy on our table. Our thanks are due to Mr. H. E. Reynell and Mr. E. A. P. Wood who were responsible for all the arrangements made at the last meeting and our best thanks are also due to the committee of the Hungjao Golf Club who enabled us to carry out this most enjoyable function.

I must next refer to our very sincere appreciation of the services of Mr. E. E. Parsons who continues to act as our honorary secretary and Mr. C. S Speyer who doubles the parts of honorary treasure and honorary almoner. In making this statement I must point out that it is no idle one. My impression is that these indefatigable officers carry out more work than all the rest of us and are due our very heartiest thanks.

Finally, I must offer our grateful thanks to Mr. B. O. Blaker for his kind services as our honorary auditor.

JAPANESE SAILORS SEE SCHOOL-GIRLS' SHOW

Relaxing for two hours from their strenuous duties, bluejackets of the Naval Landing Party on Wednesday formed an enthusiastic and appreciative audience for a "troupe" of Japanese school children who staged a song-and-dance performance in the Landing Party's barracks on Kiangwan Road.

MARINE BRIGADE CHURCH

Concert Artists to Play Piano Trio

In the musical concert to be held in the Grand Theatre next Sunday morning, February 27, which is sponsored by the Fourth Marines three outstanding musical artists will be featured, Mrs. Ella M. Robertson of Radio Station XQHB, Miss Aloe Tata and Mr. Edmond Dupont pianists. These excellent concert artists will play as a piano trio two beautiful selections arranged by Mr Edmond Dupont, Wagner's "Entry of Guests" from Tannhauser" and the lovely "Prelude" composed by Rachmaninoff. Bandmaster, Tech. Sgt Leon Freda has arranged an excellent programme for the band in the concert, including Suppe's Overture "Poet and Peasant," a beautiful selection from Verdi's opera "Un Ballo En Maschera," concluding the outstanding programme with the band playing the popular Marines' Hymn and the American National Anthem.

In the Worship service which begins at 10 a.m. and precedes the concert, the Reverend W. Robert Taylor will conduct the service and deliver the sermon. Band selections in the service will be conducted by Staff-Sergeant William R. Stuart The band will play the prelude "Lament" by Dvorak, a beautiful selection by Grieg "Morning" and Franklin's lovely "Shades of Night" for the Offertory. Mr. Willis Hathaway of the Navy Y.M.C.A. staff will lead the singing of the two hymns to be sung in the worship with the band furnishing the music

A cordial invitation is extended the public of Shanghai of all nationalities to this interesting service and the outstanding concert which follows

JAPANESE ABBOT TO BLESS TROOPS

Head of Buddhist Hierarchy Here on Tour

Count Kochi Ohtani, who as Chief Abbot of the Higashi Hongan temple in Kyoto holds one of the highest posts in the Buddhist hierarchy, arrived here on Wednesday in the Nagasaki Maru for a two-weeks visit during which he will give his blessings to troops stationed in the Shanghai-Nanking area.

To-day the noted priest will visit troops in Nantao and the eastern district, while to-morrow he will leave for a brief visit to Soochow and Nanking, where he will officiate at services for the war dead.

On March 2, Count Ohtani, whose wife is the sister of Empress Nagako, will pay a two-day visit to Hangchow. Returning here on March 8 the Buddhist dignitary will sail for Japan the following day.

ELEVEN SENTENCED IN COTTON THEFT CASE

Eleven were found guilty and 13 acquitted in the First Special District Court yesterday in connection with the prosecution of 24 Chinese charged with breaking and entering a Wing On godown in Yangtszepoo Road and stealing from therein 88 bales of raw cotton.

Two of the convicted men were sentenced to 18 months' imprisonment each while the rest got a year each. The sentenced men were alleged to have proceeded to the Yangtszepoo godown in lighters and removed the goods under the cover of darkness. To get lighters, one of the prisoners was said to have received a sum of money from Wong Sam-tin, an American-born Chinese, who had been convicted of a charge of receiving stolen property and sent to gaol for one year in the U.S. Court for China.

CONSULS HONOUR MR. ETIENNE LARDY

Farewell Dinner to Swiss Charge d'Affaires

FINE SHANGHAI SERVICE REMEMBERED

The Consular Body gave a dinner on Wednesday night (23rd) at the Shanghai Club in honour of M. Etienne Lardy, Chargé d'Affaires and Consul-General for Switzerland, who has been appointed to the post of Swiss Minister to Turkey and Bulgaria and is departing from Shanghai to-day.

The dining room was tastefully decorated, with the Swiss national colours in prominence, and covers for over thirty were laid for the international gathering which attended.

In toasting the guest of honour, M. N. Aall, the Senior Consul and Consul-General for Norway, referred to the fine and arduous work accomplished by M. Lardy during his six years' stay in Shanghai. He had been Consul-General and Judge of the Swiss Court for China since December 1931, and when the first Swiss Legation in China was established in January, 1933, M. Lardy became the Chargé d'Affaires He had cordially and actively collaborated in the work of the Shanghai Consular Body, had served as consular representative on the Board of Governors of the General Hospital for four years and as a Judge of the Court of Consuls.

M. Aall paid a warm tribute to the departing Consul-General for his unfailing courtesy and unstinted co-operation with his colleagues and his valuable assistance in dealing with the many knotty problems which have confronted that body during his tenure of office in Shanghai. They had liked and esteemed M. Lardy and greatly deplored his departure from Shanghai, although, of course, they rejoiced with him in his promotion.

An Old Friend

The older ones among them found it difficult with the advancing years to make new friends with the facility which attended that happy attribute in their younger days, and thus their regret was the greater that they were losing one of their senior colleagues. However, it was one of the penalties of the foreign service that they had to go where they were ordered regardless of personal ties. Concluding, the Senior Consul presented M. Lardy with a silver cigar box suitably inscribed as a token of his colleagues' esteem and wished him all success and happiness in his new sphere of activity.

Replying, M. Lardy expressed his warm thanks to the Senior Consul for his kind words and the company for honouring him that evening. As the Senior Consul had mentioned he had spent six strenuous years in Shanghai, but they had been years full of instruction and profit. The Consular Body in Shanghai occupied an unique position and many of its members were called upon to discharge duties and functions unparalleled elsewhere so that he had found Shanghai an excellent and a valuable training school.

A number of his colleagues had served at other posts in China and had brought their rich and mature experiences with them to Shanghai for the edification of their less fortunate associates. So that, although he now found himself next in seniority to the Senior Consul, he still regarded himself in a sense as a pupil. He was grateful for the valuable knowledge he had acquired in Shanghai which, he was persuaded, would prove of great worth in his future labours in the service of his country.

Colleagues' Co-operation

He had done his humble best to assist in the deliberations of the Consular Body and to promote decisions based on realistic considerations, and in this connection he must voice his cordial appreciation for the generous assistance and co-operation uniformly extended by his colleagues which had very considerably lightened the burden of his work. He greatly regretted leaving China and so many kind friends but they would often be in his thoughts and he had a wonderful souvenir of their friendship in the gift just presented by the Senior Consul which he would always cherish. Concluding M. Lardy made a complimentary reference to the Secretary of the Consular Body.

Those present included:—M. E. Lardy, Mr. N. Aall, Comm. L. Neyrone, Dr. A. J. Alves, Mr. C. E. Gauss, Mr. E. Vega, Mr. J. M. Ferrer, Mr. S. Okamoto, Mr. H. Phillips, Mr. A. Van Cutsem, Dr. J. Krysinski, Mr. V. Niskanen, Dr. L. A. Gastmann, Mr. M. Fischer, Mr. E. Kronvall, Mr. B. M. Simansky, M. P. Auge, Mr. N. F. Allman, M. L. H. Gourley, Mr. H. H. Smith, Mr. M. G. I. Melchior, Mr. Von Randow, Mr. E. de Graffenried, Dr. F. Farinacci, Mr. J. Piffaretti, Dr. W. Schilling, Mr. J. Stepan, and Mr. E. A. Long.

M. CLAUDE FARRERE, prominent French writer, who has just completed a tour of the Orient, was yesterday decorated in Tokyo with the Order of the Sacred Treasure, Second Class, for his services in strengthening Franco-Japanese amity.

FIGHT INFLUENZA With

BLACK HEAD RUM

S.M.C. SEAT TAKEN BY MR. OKAMOTO

Ex-Member Fills Vacancy as Mr. Urabe Leaves

Mr. O. Okamoto has accepted an invitation from the Shanghai Municipal Council to fill the vacancy on the Council created by the recent resignation of Mr. T. Urabe. Mr. Okamoto was present at the meeting of Council held on Wednesday when Mr. C. S. Franklin, Chairman of the Council, addressed members as follows:—

I am sure that you will share the regret which I felt on receiving Mr. Urabe's resignation from the Council. Mr. Urabe was elected a Member of Council in 1935, and has served for three years. During his time as a Member of Council he has served also on the Watch, Works and Traffic Committees, and during the recent emergency he did valuable work as a member of the Supplies and Fuel Sub-Committee. I think I may say that we have all respected him and liked him, and that we very much hope that he will be happy and successful on his return to an important post in his own country. His place on the Council has been filled by the co-option of Mr. Okamoto, and we are all glad to welcome Mr. Okamoto here to-day.

Mr. Okamoto is not a stranger to this room. In May, 1930, he was co-opted as a Member of the Council, and served on the Public Utilities and Traffic Committees. He was elected as a Member of Council in 1931, and served for four years. On his resignation in 1934 he remained a member of the Staff Committee, on which he is still serving. He has also at various times served on the Watch, Finance, and Orchestra and Band Committees, so that he is familiar with almost every branch of our work. Mr. Okamoto was a Member of the Council when I myself was elected for the first time in 1933, and in that year we served together on the Staff Committee, so that I hope I may say that I am welcoming back an old friend and valued colleague.

BED ON FIRE: INJURIES TO MOTHER AND CHILD

It was only a small fire but it occurred in a bed on which a Chinese mother and her small daughter were resting, at 167 Taku Road on Wednesday midnight. Both mother and child were burned and were taken to hospital in a Fire Brigade ambulance. They were not seriously injured.

A FINE RECORD FOR THESE DAYS

In spite of the severest War and Business depression in the history of China, more persons of the business class in Shanghai decided in February to possess the New Remington Portable than for any preceding month for several years.

Make your reservation, from machines due to arrive, if an early delivery is desired.

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S.V.C. ROUTE MARCH ON SUNDAY

Loyals' Band to Accompany "A" Battalion

"A" Battalion, Shanghai Volunteer Corps, commanded by Major E. S. Barraclough, M.C., will carry out a route march on Sunday starting from the south entrance of Jessfield Park at 10.45 a.m.

The march will take place through Jessfield Park, along Jessfield Road, Keswick Road, Great Western Road, Edinburgh Road, Yu Yuen Road back to Jessfield Park, where the Battalion will dismiss.

By kind permission of Lt.-Col. J. E. Hume and the officers, the Band of the 2nd Bn. The Loyal Regiment is to accompany the Battalion on the March.

"A" Battalion of the Shanghai Volunteer Crops is composed of the following companies:—"A" Company, "B" Company, Shanghai Scottish Company, Jewish Company, and Air Defence Company.

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FROM DAY TO DAY

MR. Denjiro Kato, former First Secretary of the Japanese Embassy in China and Consul-General in Hankow, was to-day appointed Consul-General in Mukden. He succeeds Mr. Shohei Fujioka who was appointed Consul-General in Kalgan.

MR. Wang Ching-wei, Chairman of the Central Political Council now in Hankow, gave a broadcast speech on February 22 on the subject "The New Life Movement in the Period of Resistance," says a dispatch to the "Standard."

MR. Yang Hsiao-lou, a well known exponent of the Peking drama, recently passed away in Peiping at the age of 61 years, says a special message to the "Standard." The late Mr. Yang had been living in retirement during the past few years.

THE Chairman of the Honan Provincial Government, General Cheng Chien, has been appointed to the concurrent post of Commander of the Peace Preservation Corps in the province, states a dispatch to the "Hwa Mei Pao." General Cheng is now directing military operations along the Peiping-Hankow Railway.

THE Executive Yuan, at a regular weekly meeting held on February 22, appointed Mr. Shih Tze-chow to be a member and concurrently Educational Commissioner of the Ninghsia Provincial Government, states a dispatch to the "Sin Wen Pao." Mr. Shih is succeeding Mr. Tung Yuehhwa, who has been nominated to another high post.

THE Chinese Ambassador to Japan, Mr. Hsu Shih-ying, who recently arrived in Hongkong from Hankow, where he made a report to the Central authorities on the Sino-Japanese situation, will come to Shanghai within two weeks' time to attend to some private affairs, states a special report to the "Life Daily News." After winding up his affairs, Mr. Hsu will leave with his family for the Colony, where they will make their home in the future, says the report.

THE Finance Bureau of the Great Way City Government of Shanghai has opened eleven tax collection offices in areas under its control, says a report to the "Hwa Mei Pao." Nine of these offices, according to the report, are located in Kaochiao, Tungkow, Kaomiao, Hsitu, Chichangchan, Tungchang Road, Tungkadoo, Nanmatow and Chowchiatu, while the other two are functioning at Tushanwei in Nantao and Tsaokadoo in the western district.

A NEW comprehensive association of farm-labour organizations has been inaugurated under the wing of the Social Mass Party by the leading agrarian associations in Japan, including the Japan Farmers Union and the All-Japan Farmers' Association. The merger is said to have been instigated by the current emergency situation and the activities of the authorities in suppressing the Popular-Front movement.

THE administration of the Chekiang-Kiangsi Railway is making arrangements for the resumption of freight traffic, states a dispatch to the "Sin Wen Pao." For the time being, however, through transport services, which have been suspended for over two months, will be limited between Kinhua in South Chekiang and Chuchow, which is the western terminal of the railway.

THE National Government, in a mandate issued on Feb. 22 appointed Messrs. Miao Pei-cheng, Tai Hwai-sheng, Chang Chi-yun, Hsieh Shuying and Tu Chun-yuan to the posts of Commissioners of the Control Yuan, says a report to the "Sin Wen Pao." The same mandate, it is reported, gazetted the reappointment as Control Commissioners for the Hunan-Hupeh and Fukien-Chekiang control districts of Messrs. Kao Yihan and Chen Chao-ying, whose terms of office have just expired.

A PLAN to establish an extensive central organ for research in Oriental culture, embracing Japan, Manchoukuo, Mongolia, China and the South Seas, in order to build up a foundation for co-operation of the East Asiatic races, is projected by Japanese military circles, the Foreign Ministry and other Ministries, says the "Asahi Shimbun." The designation of the organ will be the East Asia Cultural Research Institute.

A BURIAL corps of more than 60 members formed by the Chinese Red Cross Society and other local philanthropic organizations was due to leave here yesterday morning for towns and cities along the Shanghai-Nanking Railway, says a message to the "Sin Wen Pao." The corps, which is under the leadership of some local American and Japanese nationals, will spend a month's time in interring all bodies found in the towns and cities in its itinerary, it is reported.

THE North China Daily News is informed by Mr. L. A. Gastmann, Acting Consul-General for the Netherlands, temporarily in charge of Iranian interests, that some of the gypsies in Shanghai claiming Iranian nationality, seem to have been in possession of illegal Iranian passports. At the beginning of 1936 investigations were made with regard to the fraudulent claims of these persons to Iranian nationality, among whom was Vali Tegi Ogli. However no confirmation of their claim could be established and the passports in question were confiscated.

MR. Luther Tucker, secretary of the World's Student Christian Federation for the Far East, is sailing to-day in the ss. Gneisenau for Hongkong. While in this city during the past week, Mr. Tucker conferred with Chinese student Christian leaders in meetings and small groups of both men and women on problems of international bond and fellowship of Christian students vis-a-vis the present invasion of China by Japan. He was the speaker last Sunday, February 20, at the meeting of the Universal Day of Prayer for Students, which was well attended by students and student workers. From Hongkong, Mr. Tucker plans to fly to Changsha to confer with Mr. W. H. Kiang, executive secretary of the Student Division of the National Committee YM.C.A. of China.

Emp. of Asia Due to Arrive This Morning

Passengers to be Landed in Two Parties

CONTE VERDE DUE IN PORT ON MONDAY

The Canadian Pacific liner Empress of Asia is expected to arrive alongside the Shanghai & Hongkew Wharf Co.'s East Pootung Wharf at about 10 o'clock this morning. With regard to the landing of passengers, it was learned yesterday that a new arrangement will be tried out for the first time. Through passengers, that is, those who will continue with the ship on to Japan and Canada when she sails, will, it is hoped, be able to board tenders at the ship soon after she berths.

They will be coming ashore about half an hour later at the Customs Jetty, this arrangement, it is expected, giving them more time in Shanghai during the ship's stay. The tenders, meanwhile, will return to the ship immediately, to pick up those passengers who are disembarking at Shanghai. Landing passengers should be coming ashore at the Customs Jetty between 11 a.m. and 11.30 a.m. to-day; more definite information in this regard, however, may be secured after 9 o'clock this morning by telephoning to the local office, telephone No. 19490.

The Empress of Asia, bound for Victoria and Vancouver, via Japan ports, will be sailing from Shanghai early to-morrow morning. Passengers, however, will go on board to-day by one of two tenders. The first leaves the Customs Jetty at 4 p.m. and the ship at 5 p.m., while the second, and last, tender, leaves the jetty at 6 p.m. and the ship an hour later.

The Gneisenau

The Norddeutscher Lloyd liner Gneisenau will be sailing from port this afternoon from buoys 11 and 12, bound for Genoa, Southampton, Rotterdam and Bremen. According to information yesterday afternoon, the last tender will leave the Customs Jetty at 1 o'clock this afternoon for the ship. Melchers & Co. (Telephone No. 15566) are the local agents and may be telephoned to-day for the latest information. No change, however, is expected.

With mails and passengers from Europe, the Lloyd Triestino ss. Conte Verde is due to arrive in port on Monday, February 28, berthing at the Shanghai & Hongkew Wharf Co.'s Hongkew Wharf at about 8 a.m. Tenders with disembarking passengers are due at the Customs Jetty at about 10.30 a.m. that day.

The Conte Verde sails on March 1 on her return journey. Tenders with outgoing passengers on board will be leaving the Customs Jetty at 1.30 p.m. that day for the ship, while heavy baggage should reach the Customs Jetty not later than noon that day for taking down to the ship by lighter.

According to information received from the local office of Geo. L. Shaw yesterday, the ss. Shinfu is expected to arrive in port at 3 p.m. to-day from Tungchow with a large number of passengers and a heavy cargo. She will berth at the Roosevelt Terminal and should leave on her return journey to Tungchow at daylight to-morrow.

The same company also expects the ss. Shinai to come into port this afternoon from Foochow with a large cargo of planks and poles; she will berth at Mackenzie's Pootung Wharf and is due to leave on Monday morning for Foochow on her return trip.

ANGLO-JAPAN TRADE PACT END ASKED

Commons Bill Seeks to Aid Boycott Movement

London, Feb. 23.

A Bill aimed at Japanese goods was read in the House of Commons for the first time to-day. It had been introduced by Sir Francis Acland, Opposition Liberal member for North-West Cornwall.

The Bill seeks to amend the Merchandise Marks Act by laying down that goods from certain countries shall henceforth be marked with the name of the precise country from which they come.

Sir Francis Acland considered that buyers should be enabled to decide whether goods should be used to swell the finances with which Japan is carrying on her unofficial war, which was unanimously condemned as "a war of unprovoked aggression."

Mr. Herbert Williams, Conservative member for South Croydon, thought that the decks should first be cleared by denouncing the Treaty of Commerce with Japan before taking any of the steps advocated by Sir Francis Acland.

He said he thought that the Bill was not in keeping with the Treaty of Commerce between Great Britain and Japan.—Reuter.

GERMAN ARMY MADE MUCH LARGER

French Press Agency Learns of Extra Divisions

Berlin, Feb. 23.

The reinforcement of the German Army, as announced by Herr Hitler in his Reichstag speech will bring the total strength of the Reichswehr to 52 Divisions, Havas learns from a reliable private source.

The Fuehrer, in his speech on March 16, 1935, revealed that conscription would be fixed to include total effectives for twelve army corps.

The formation of a thirteenth and fourteenth army corps with the appointment of a new commander was announced by Herr Hitler during the large-scale reshuffle of the Army on February 4 this year. Furthermore, four mechanized divisions and three armoured divisions were created since 1935.

According to the latest measures, the Reichswehr will consist of 45 divisions and seven mechanized or armoured divisions.—Havas.

INVASION OF SOUTH CHINA IS UNLIKELY AT PRESENT

Imminence of Rainy Season Seen as Reason for the Delay: Extensive Chinese Defences

Canton, Feb. 23.

UNCERTAINTY continues to be felt regarding Japan's intentions towards South China. The Chinese feel that the invasion of Kwangtung is likely to be postponed for a further period. They attach importance to the approach of the rainy season, although opinions differ as to its ability to impede seriously Japanese military operations down here.

Heavy rainfall over an extended period would render the delta well-nigh impassable, while the more likely advance from the various points along the Kwangtung coast across a rain-soaked countryside would prove most difficult. On the other hand, less optimistic circles recall the hopes placed on the rainy weather in Ethiopia, which failed to halt the Italian push.

It is felt that Japan missed her opportunity in December, when the Japanese transports carrying troops southward changed their plans, due possibly to several reasons, including the uncertainty regarding Great Britain's attitude, the Tsingtao incident and the general reactions to the sinking of the U.S.S. Panay.

That the local military authorities have a well-organized plan of defence is generally recognized. Secrecy naturally surrounds the preparations made, but even in the country a few miles outside Canton there are visible signs of ceaseless military activity. Particularly large forces are reported to be concentrated to the south of the province in the Chungshan district, where Japanese warships already have carried out minor bombardments.

People's Defence Corps

In addition to the Army, a People's Defence Corps, numbering several hundred thousands of farmers and peasants, has been formed. The countryfolk have been given arms and are being taught how to use them. They will play a large part in assisting the regulars in defending the province. Several former 19th Route Army commanders, including General Tsai Ting-kai are among their leaders.

While the Japanese have made no permanent landing in South China, they are believed to be attempting to stir up internal trouble through paid agents. Ever since the first major threat to Kwangtung a few months ago there has been a vague undercurrent of anxiety in Canton, ready to flare to the surface at every new rumour.

The populace was particularly sensitive during the recent spy-scare, when martial law was hurriedly proclaimed and river shipping between here and Hongkong temporarily suspended. At that time thousands of Chinese moved to safe regions, while owing to the departure of their domestics several foreigners in the northern suburb of Tungshan deemed it wise to transfer to Shameen.

General Wu Te-chen, the Governor, Mr. Tseng Yang-fu, the Mayor, and other high Chinese officials repeatedly have announced Kwangtung's intention of resisting aggression to the bitter end, and well-informed foreign sources see no reason to doubt the sincerity of these expressions. There are no signs of a "split" between the South and the Central Government.

Bombing Continues

Bombing throughout the province continues. Air-raid sirens have sounded in Canton more time than in any other town in China, but these daily alarms now fall on comparatively deaf ears.

Of late the Japanese airmen have confined their activities to mitliary and other necessary objectives, and, except for occasional accidents in villages in the interior, the civilian casualties have decreased considerably.

General Wu Te-chen, in an informal discussion with Reuter, suggested that the Japanese aerial visitations could be classified in four sections. In the beginning they dropped bombs on the city and surrounding districts; then they turned their attention to the two railways. This was followed by intensive bombing of the highways and bridges throughout the province.

To-day, the airmen have changed their tactics and make considerable use of their machine-guns, swooping down over their objectives and opening fire. During the past few days several instances have been reported to the Governor of buses and cars on the highways being subjected to this form of attack.

Life Almost Normal

Life in Canton itself is now comparatively normal. Streets in certain sections of the city, which a few months ago were deserted, with shop fronts barred, are busy once again. Smaller merchants are active again, although their lot is hardly a happy one. Business has suffered and future prospects are very gloomy.

Tungshan, the suburb where many Germans and other foreigners used to reside, is still only partially populated. Most of its residents are in Shameen. The German Country Club, only a few miles from the frequently bombed airfields, is not so well patronized during week-days, but still sparkles gaily on Saturdays and Sundays. From its roof-top Japanese 'planes en rout to bomb the Hankow railway are often visible.

In Shameen, it is difficult to appreciate that serious warfare is taking place in China. Dinner and cocktail parties, sports and the usual daily round continue unabated. Only occasionally are the Japanese activities sufficiently near home to cause concern. Several women on the island spend their mornings making swabs and bandages for despatch to the wounded on various fronts and Red Cross bases.—Reuter.

MR. PAUL V. McNUTT DENIES AMBITIONS

Mr. William Green Attends Reception

COMMISSIONER TALKS ON PHILIPPINE ISSUE

Washington, Feb. 23.

Mr. Paul V. McNutt, U.S. High Commissioner to the Philippines at present in Washington to report to the President on Far Eastern Affairs, told the press here to-day that he was not a candidate for any public office.

His statement followed reports that the Administration was displeased with his alleged "political activities" since arriving in the United States from Manila. He has frequently been mentioned as possible Democratic Presidential candidate in 1940 if President Roosevelt is not "drafted" for an unprecedented third term. The Indiana Democratic Committee, although not nationally powerful, already has launched a "McNutt For President" drive.

He is delivering a series of addresses throughtout the United States during his current visit, but denied to-day that they were of a "political nature.

Reception Well Attended

Later to-day Mr. McNutt shook hands with 4,000 Washington figures, including few New Deal leaders, who attended a reception in his honour.

Mr. McNutt made further denials that he had any immediate political aspirations while Indiana Democrats present continued to boost him as a possible Presidential nominee.

The reception lasted 3½ hours, ending when Mr. William Green, President of the American Federation of Labour, arrived and shook hands with Mr. McNutt. Mr. Green, it was recalled, in the past repeatedly condemned Mr. McNutt for alleged too frequent use of the Indiana National Guard to break strikes while he was Governor of Indiana.

President Roosevelt did not appear at the reception and Mr. James A. Farley, Postmaster General, also was absent. Mr. Daniel C. Roper, Secretary of Commerce, and Mr. Homer Cummings, Attorney General, attended the conference but remained only for a short time.—United Press.

"Economic Murder"

Washington, Feb. 23.

Referring to the extension of trade preferences to the Philippines after 1946, Mr. Paul McNutt, at a press conference to-day, said that failure to modify the Independence Act would be "economic murder." The Philippines, he declared, should be ready to meet all internal and external problems before obtaining complete independence.—Reuter.

'ST. GEORGE AND DRAGON' ON FRIENDLY TERMS

St. George's Society Host To President of St. David's

"St. George and The Dragon" met in a friendly spirit yesterday when Mr. A. H. Hopkyn Rees, President of the St. David's Society of Shanghai—whose emblem is, of course, the Dragon—was the guest of the St. George's Society at its monthly meeting yesterday evening in the Shanghai Club. Mr. Hopkyn Rees, in reply to the toast in his honour made mention of this fact and expressed the hope that in future St. George would "discontinue killing Welch dragons!"

Mr. E. S. Wilkinson, President of the Royal Society of St. George, in proposing the health of Mr. Hopkyn Rees, referred to the great pleasure they experienced in having him present as their guest, for their relations with St. David's Society had always been most cordial. He referred to the life of St. David, tracing his history from the time when he went west to the Isle of Wight to preach to the early Britons there until he became a Saint, and he also referred to that great and unique geographical expression, "England and Wales."

Mr. Wilkinson also welcomed Mr B. O. Blaker, the society's honorary auditor, and pointed out how much the Committee appreciated Mr Blaker's work in auditing their annual accounts. Both Mr. Hopkyn Rees and Mr. Blaker replied suitably.

Mr. T. G. Drakeford, the vice-president, then referred to Mr. Wilkinson's term of office as president which was expiring that day, and spoke of the energy Mr. Wilkinson had displayed while he was in office and of the debt of gratitude which the Society owed him.

In reply, Mr. Wilkinson assured everyone that it had been a great pleasure for him to act as president and said that he was extremely gratified to receive such a tribute of appreciation.

Huge U.S. Navy Manoeuvres Will Be Kept Secret

President's Order Puts Ban on Press Representation

MR. MAVERICK RAISES PLANES-SHIP ISSUE

Washington, Feb. 23.

Under the direction of President Franklin D. Roosevelt, the United States Government to-day intensified secrecy surrounding in the forthcoming Army and Navy manœuvres which will be the largest in the nation's peace time history.

At the President's orders, the fleet to-day prepared to sail for Pacific manœuvres without customary provision for reporters and cameramen.

Officials of the Navy denied that the orders had any connection with the decision to include manœuvres in the area between Hawaii, Samao and Midway Island.

It was recalled that three reporters had been denied the privilege of accompanying the record mass flight of six Army flying fortresses to Buenos Aires last week despite the fact that officials of the War Department had urged that such permits be issued.

President Roosevelt was reported to have argued that in the interest of national defence, manœuvres should be kept secret because the fleet was actually testing its apparatus as well as engaing in exercises.

Mr. Maverick's Criticism

Mr. Maury Maverick, Democratic Representative of Texas, alleged that the Administration was suppressing reports of Navy tests showing the vulnerability of the warships to air attacks in an effort to protect the naval construction programme from adverse criticism.

Mr. Maverick said that the air units had demonstrated in the Pacific manœuvres their ability to locate an approaching fleet. They have also demonstrated that direct hits were unnecessary to sink a warship and that a 2,000-pound bomb exploding alongside the ship would disable a big cruiser by concussion, he added.

The Texas Representative suggested that a committee of three Senators, three Representatives and nine civilians be organized to consider all phases of the question of warships versus aeroplanes.—United Press.

GEN. PERSHING SUFFERS HEART AILMENT

Favourable Outcome Expected By Physicians

Tucson, Feb. 22.

Gen. John P. Pershing, Commander in Chief of the American Expeditionary Forces in the Great War who is seriously ill here, is suffering from heart trouble, attending physicians admitted here to-day.

On the basis of additional observations, they said, it was believed that "Gen. Pershing suffered acute damage to his heart muscles which will require prolonged rest in bed before he may resume his usual activities."

"We still feel the outcome will be favourable," the attending physicians said to-day.—United Press.

GERMAN PASSENGER AIR LINE TO BAGHDAD

Berlin, Feb. 24.

The first passenger air-line of the German Lufthansa to extend beyond European frontiers will be established this summer when the route to Baghdad is inaugurated. The air-mail route to Baghdad has been flown since last autumn. It is intended to extend the route beyond Baghdad to Siam and to establish connections there with the Eurasia company to China.—Trans-Ocean.

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RUMANIANS GO TO POLLS TO-DAY

Verbal Declaration Asked on New Constitution

ALL ELECTIONEERING FULLY SUPPRESSED

Bucharest, Feb. 23.

All Rumanian citizens will publicly declare themselves for or against the new measures drafted by King Carol and the Government in a plebiscite to-morrow, the results to be known on Friday.

All voters will be compelled to present themselves at their respective town halls, state verbally their opinion on the measures, and their declaration will be put down next to their names in the register.

Several members of the National Peasant Party were arrested to-day for attempting to influence the electors.

The authorities throughout the country are endeavouring to cut off the leaders of the former parties from their partisans so that each elector will give his opinion "according to his own beliefs." Severe penalties will be meted out to those who attempt to talk the electors into abstaining from voting. Those abstaining will be fined. In the last elections 33 per cent. did not cast their vote.

The measures upon which the electors are to give their opinion form the new Constitution and provide for:

1. Suppression of political parties.
2. Suppression of Parliament.
3. Creation of a representation by corporations similar to the one in Italy.
4. Protection of "real Rumanians."
5. Suppression of juries in courts of justice which will allow for a more severe repression of political crimes.—Havas.

PORT INAUGURATED IN HEAVY GALE

Tel-aviv Passenger Landing Facilities Completed

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Jerusalem, Feb. 23.

The new £250,000 port for passenger ships at Tel-aviv was inaugurated to-day. Owing to a heavy gale, accompanied by rain, the landing of passengers and other outside ceremonies had to be cancelled.

Hitherto, there had only been the handling of goods and citrus fruit, but the Government of Palestine has now sanctioned the landing and embarkation of passengers.—Reuter.

MR. GANDHI GIVES HIS OWN VIEW

Viceroy's Statement Leaves Door Open for Compromise

Wardha, Feb. 23.

Mr. M. K. Gandhi, in an interview with Reuter to-day, expressed dissatisfaction with the statement issued yesterday by the Marquess of Linlithgow, the Viceroy of India, on the Indian Constitutional crisis over the release of political prisoners.

Mr. Gandhi said that the right of examining cases of political prisoners belonged to the responsible Ministers. The Governors' duty was to advise the Ministers and then leave the latter free.

Nevertheless, Mr. Gandhi added, he was glad that the Viceroy had left the door open, and he hoped that the Indian National Congress would leave the Ministers a free hand to judge for themselves if they were satisfied with any assurances they might receive.—Reuter.

DOCTORS, NURSES RETURN TO TSINAN

Tokyo, Feb. 24.

Stranded here for six months, while hostilities raged in Hopei and Shantung, nineteen doctors and nurses of the Dojin Hospital in Tsinan, to-day left here on their return journey to the Shantung provincial Capital.—Domei.

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Joe Louis Knocks Out Mann in Third Round

HEAVYWEIGHT TITLE RETAINED

Challenger Wins First Round with Burst of Speed

CAPACITY CROWD YELLS WILDLY THROUGHOUT

New York, Feb. 23.

Joe Louis, heavyweight champion of the world, retained his title in Madison Square Garden before a capacity crowd here tonight by knocking out Nathan Mann in the third round of a title bout originally set for ten frames. The youthful New Haven battler, although appearing worried from the start, opened up with a burst of speed to take the first round, but was saved by the bell at the end of the second and dropped cold midway through the third after being floored four times.

Mann led off with a left in the first round but missed. Louis came back with a light left to Mann's face which he returned. They sparred in mid-ring, but Louis was unable to penetrate Mann's defence. Both appeared deadly serious, Mann apparently considerably worried and Louis carrying his usual "dead-pan" expression.

The Connecticut fighter landed a light left to the body and followed with a right to the head and several rights and lefts to the body and head. Bringing one up from the floor, Mann scored a hard right to the champion's head, driving the negro into the rope with several additional stiff rights to the head. The crowd roared its approval and Louis appeared flustered. The round was Mann's by a wide margin.

Champion Retaliates

Louis came back ferociously in the second, however, cracking Mann on the nose with a stinging left which drew blood, immediately after the two heavyweights had come out of their corners. He followed with another nice left to the nose as Mann began bleeding profusely.

Coming out of a crouch Mann missed a right to the body Louis retaliated with two lefts to the face while Mann missed a left to the body and landed a left to the face.

Mann rallied with two right smashes to the champion's face and forced Louis into a neutral corner. Louis shook off Mann's rights and warmed over the New Haven slugger, scoring to the body and a crushing right to the head which floored Mann for the count of nine.

Louis beat the challenger unmercifully about the head and body, forcing him into the ropes where the bell saved him. The round was the champion's by a wide margin.

Mann Badly Beaten

Mann appeared weak as he came out for the third and was rocked by a stinging left to the face, followed by another left to the mouth. Louis landed rights and lefts at will, flooring Mann with a right to the head. Mann jumped up without a count, despite his weakened condition, and was pummeled with hard rights and lefts to the head which he seemed too far gone to avoid.

Louis hammered Mann's body and head with murderous rights and lefts as the challenger vainly sought to cover up. Mann was taking terrific punishment without folding. Louis continued to pour in piston rights and lefts, however, again dropping Mann for a count of three. The challenger appeared too confused to take advantage of a nine count when dropped by the champion's punishing blows.

In a final flurry of rights and lefts which Mann caught square on the chin and mid-section, Louis floored him for the count of ten to retain the championship.

Louis fought like a ferocious, maddened lion after being knocked around by the wild-swinging Mann in the opening round. Ringside observers believed the champion could have taken on all comers to-night including Max Schmeling of Germany and still have come out wearing the heavyweight crown on his dusky brow.

Crowd Yells Wildly

To-night's fight was the first in the champion's career that he ever cut loose with such a murderous barrage. An amazing fury of fists battered the bull-shouldered Italian into virtual unconsciousness after Mann had dared to match fists with Louis in the opening frame.

The crowd was on its feet throughout the second and third rounds wildly cheering the champion's spectacular barrage of punches.

A terrifice right hook to Mann's chin was the final blow of the fight. Mann bounced off the ropes, slithered down on his back and rolled over on his stomach. Finally he drew one knee under himself in an attempt to rise. His legs failed him as he heard the count of ten. He took the count on one knee I minute and 56 seconds through the third round after his fourth trip to the canvas.

Farr, Baer at Ringside

Louis entered the ring a 3 to 1 betting favourite to defend his title after a drizzle throughout the day had failed to dampen the enthusiasm of thousands here for the fight. By 7 o'clock this evening the Garden gallery was packed with cheering supporters of the two battlers. Mike Jacobs, promoter of the fight, announced a complete sell-out with a gross gate of $133,000. The crowd was estimated at 19,000.

Entering the ring, both fighters were given a big ovation from the crowded house. Louis, tipping the scales at 200 pounds, wore black trunks while Mann, at 193½ pounds was attired in purple trunks.

Julian Black and Jack Blackburn, manager and trainer of the champion, were in Louis' corner as was Manny Seam, assistant trainer. Jimmy DeAngelo and Billy Brown, co-managers of Mann, and Ray Arcell, Mann's trainer, were in the challenger's corner.

Arthur Donovan, veteran referee was the third man in the ring with George Lecron and Marty Monroe serving as judges. Prominent fight figures at the ringside included Max Baer, former champion, Tommy Farr, British Empire champion, Harry Thomas and Al McCoy.—United Press.

Resting after the fight in the dressing room, Mann told newspapermen that he had not seen the final punch coming and that he had not realized he had been knocked out until he had reached the corner.

SCORING SHOT FOR CHARLTON

Owens, the Charlton centre forward, drives in the first goal of the game in the Home First Division soccer match against Birmingham at The Valley recently.

THE HOME FOOTBALL FORECAST

Wolves Will Visit Liverpool This Week-end

BRENTFORD MUST MEET CHARLTON

By "SCRUTATOR"

Wolverhampton visit Liverpool this week-end. Last season they lost by the only goal of the game. The Wolves are a much stronger side this season with one of the best defences in the First Division, and I take them to win here. One of the problem games of the division is the meeting of Charlton and Brentford, and it will be a case of the 'Bees' front line and the Athletic defence. I am supporting Jimmy Seeds' boys to win; they won the corresponding game last season.

Whilst I vote for the Arsenal to defeat Pompey, I am not forgetting that the latter have been improving; so have the Gunners.

The Sheffield derby should draw a record crowd to Bramall Lane, and whilst it is sometimes dangerous to support the favourites in these local derbies, I think the United forwards, with their greater penetrative power, will turn the tables in favour of the United. Aston Villa should retain second place in the table by gaining both points from their visit to Tyneside.

Bristol Should Win

Bristol City who have a chance of winning the Third Division Southern Section should improve their prospects by a victory at Walsall. Queen's Park Rangers have always found the biscuit men from Reading hard to crack and whilst a draw is a possibility, I am taking the homesters to win.

The meeting of Tranmere and Gateshead will have an important bearing on the leadership of the Third Division, Northern. The former has the better defence and it is for this reason that I give them my vote. Lincoln City should gain two points at Accrington to retain an interest in the leadership

In Scotland, Celtic should continue their winning way at the expense of the Paisley Buddies from Love Street. Motherwell lost to the Hibernians last season. This season I expect the homesters to win.

The visit of Aberdeen to Ibrox should draw a capacity crowd as ...e Dons are always favourites with the crowd. They usually do well against the light blues, and I am going to support them to hold one point against the Rangers.

English League

FIRST DIVISION

Birmingham *v.* Sunderland
Charlton A. *v.* Brentford
Chelsea *v.* Blackpool
Grimsby *v.* Huddersfield
Leeds United *v.* Everton
Liverpool *v.* **Wolverhampton**
Middlesbrough *v.* Derby County
Portsmouth *v.* **Arsenal**
Preston N. E. *v.* Bolton W.
Stoke City *v.* Manchester City
West Brom A. *v.* Leicester City

SECOND DIVISION

Barnsley *v.* West Ham United
Burnley *v.* Plymouth Argyle
Bury *v.* Chesterfield
Coventry City *v.* Swansea
Luton T. *v.* **Bradford**
Manchester U. *v.* Blackburn R.
Newcastle United *v.* **Aston Villa**
Notts F. *v.* Norwich City
Sheffield U. *v.* Sheffield Wed
Stockport Co. *v.* Southampton
Tottenham *v.* Fulham

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTHERN)

Bournemouth *v.* Notts Co.
Brighton *v.* Crystal Palace.
Bristol Rovers *v.* Gillingham
Cardiff City *v.* Newport Co.
Clapton O. *v.* Aldershot
Mansfield T. *v.* Exeter City
Northampton T. *v.* **Watford**
Queen's P. R. *v.* Reading
Southend *v.* Millwall
Torquay *v.* **Swindon**
Walsall *v.* **Bristol City**

THIRD DIVISION (NORTHERN)

Accorington *v.* **Lincoln City**
Bradford City *v.* Darlington
Carlisle U. *v.* **Hull City**
Chester *v.* Hartlepools U.
Doncaster R. *v.* Crewe
Halifax T. *v.* New Brighton
Rochdale *v.* Barrow
Rotherham U. *v.* Wrexham
Southport *v.* Port Vale
Tranmere R. *v.* Gateshead
York City *v.* Oldham

Scottish League

FIRST DIVISION

Arbroath *v.* Morton
Celtic *v.* St. Mirren
Dundee *v.* St. Johnstone
Falkirk *v.* Partick Thistle
Hearts *v.* Hamilton Accies.
Kilmarnock *v.* Clyde
Queen of the South *v.* Queen's Park
Motherwell *v.* Hibernians
Rangers *v.* Aberdeen
Third Lanark *v.* Ayr United

FOOTBALL RESULTS AT HOME

London, Feb. 23.

The following are results of English League matches played to-day:—

SECOND DIVISION

Aston Villa 3, Plymouth 0
Manchester United 4, West Ham 0
Tottenham 2, Stockport 0

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTHERN)

Gillingham 1, Clapton Orient 2

—Reuter.

MARINES LEAD BOWLING IN BOTH DIVISIONS

Race Club, Foreign "Y" Fall from Top Ranks: Hartnett Scores Fine Single of 247

ONE of the most hotly contested encounters in the Inter-Club Ten Pin League took place last night when the Fourth Regiment U.S. Marines gained further laurels by defeating the Columbia Country Club for the second time this season, winning two games out of three. This success put the Marines back in the lead with ten games won and five lost.

Corporal Respess was the outstanding bowler on the victorious team. He chalked up a fine triple of 566 pins and led all the other players of the league, although having to yield the singles score of Hartnett of the American Club, who gained the league's highest mark of 247.

The Marines and the Columbians had a close beginning. The scored turned in by the first two men were very even but when Respess fired 210 pins the game was practically in the servicemen's bag. The margin in this game was 877-799.

By no means discouraged, the visiting Columbians rallied as soon as the second game got under way. Hale made fine improvement in his play, countering 180 pins. Scores were fairly level until the close when the Columbians finished short of five pins at 817-812.

In the third game the losers outscored the Marine team, 836-820. Each member blowed consistently and showed no weakness while the opponents wound up poorly to lose by sixteen pins.

American Club Win

In the other senior match, the Shanghai Race Club failed to make any improvement and lost to the American Club, 3-0, to remain in the cellar position. The Americans, as homesters, had a fine time in the opening string, hanging up a total of 803 as against their opponents 750. The second game was closely fought as the score was 719-707. In the third game the Americans ran wild. Hartnett bowled in whirlwind fashion, toppling a great single of 247 pins which incidently broke the record of 234 made by Ross, the Foreign "Y" star. The total of this third period was 913-720.

Following the footsteps of their seniors, the Marine Bees also scored a two-one victory over the Columbians who acted as hosts. Led by Jacobs and Graves, the visiting service bowlers commenced in real earnestness and brought home an early success by a margin of 895-778. Jacobs tallied 203 pins while Graves countered seven pins less, 196. In the second game the pacemakers slackened in their efforts but still proved a trifle too strong and won by 779-754.

In the last string the Club was able to obtain an aggregate of 796. The Marines, on the other hand, could hardly give any stern opposition, pouring in 713 pins.

Race Club Drop

At the Race Club, the home team lost to the American Club by 2-1 and therefore lost the lead in the Second Division. In the first game, the visitors were by far a superior team, scoring a total of 838 as against the homesters 707. Lancaster, whose excellent work in previous matches earned him a remarkable average of 191.7 points, countered a meagre sum of 141 pins. Watton, who was third in standing, gave a much poorer display in netting 119 tallies.

The Americans suddenly fell away in the second game, garnering a total of 701 to enable the Race Club to win and tie the standing. In this session the homesters tallied 791 pins. The third game again saw the Americans with flying colours. Clark rolled up a remarkable score of 231. He was only overshadowed by Hartnett on the "A" team; otherwise he would be the record smasher. The winners netted an aggregate of 836-714.

Swiss Defeated

Plying in home alleys, the Foreign "Y" second team gained sweet revenge when they trounced the Swiss Club, 3-0. In their first meeting, the Swiss side pulled a surprise by turning the tables on the Association bowlers but last night the latter fully redeemed themselves. Led by Krause, the "Y" ran out easy winners in the opening stanza by a count of 831-694. Almost the same situation was seen in the following stages. The "Y" won the second and third games by tallies of 792-737 and 750-704.

WILL CORINTHIANS VISIT S'HAI?

Famous Footballers Would Help Game Here

By "SCRUTATOR"

A matter that is exercising the minds of local soccer enthusiasts is the question "Will the Islington Corinthians visit Shanghai?"

It is felt that the Shanghai Football Association should endeavour to arrange at least one game with the famous travelling team of English amateur players before they go on to Japan.

The question of finance is important, and the Association has not made a lot of money from the League and Cup Games played this season, due to the fact that no Chinese teams have been playing under their jurisdiction, and because the majority of followers are not prepared to pay to see the present standard of football.

No Loss Foreseen

Whilst I have no direct information on the subject, I believe that the visit of Waseda last year did not result in financial loss to the sponsors of that visit, and I do not believe that a visit by the Corinthians would prove a financial loss.

The Association has a reserve fund set aside for the Interports, and it might consider the advisability of using part of that fund to bring this famous team to Shanghai.

The visit of the Corinthians would benefit local football in that it would give those who have never seen a first class English amateur side in action an opportunity of seeing English football, and at the same time permit them to make comparisons with the local standard of play.

The visit would have an educational side; it would enable local players to get an idea of the scientific side of the game, and learn something about football tactics.

Stimulating Effect

The visit of the Corinthians might have a stimulating effect on young players, who have never had the benefits of correct coaching. They would be able to watch first class amateur players from England, and note how they trap the ball, how they dribble and control it, how they push it forward without slamming it, and numerous other points such as heading, tackling, charging, and those things which are called the technical side of the game.

Attractive games with the United Services, all Shanghai and a civilian team with some Chinese players would not be a gamble from a financial point, as even local Chinese would take the opportunity of seeing the Corinthians, of whom they have heard so much, in action.

LOYALS ALSO SHINE IN 3rd DIVISION

Area Details Added to the List of Victims

Scoring three goals in the first half, the Loyal Regiment successfully kept an unbeaten record in the Third Division of the Shanghai Hockey League when the team trounced Area Details yesterday at the Race Course, 4-1. This victory put the army team on top of the standing with a record of six wins and one tie.

Although having only ten players to start, the league leaders gave no quarter at the outset of yesterday's contest. Area Details put up a great fight but were compelled to take defensive measures. Not once could the ultimate losers carry the ball within the Loyals' back line and the latter's goalie served merely as a bystander.

The winners opened scoring in the 20th minute following a short-corner play. It was a raking shot fired by the centre-half who gave the keeper no chance. Five minutes later, the Loyals tallied through the accurate shooting of the inside-left. A sweeping attack from the right flank gave the scorer possession of the ball and he lost no time to convert with a powerful effort. About seven minutes before the close of the opening period a third goal was scored. Fine passing between the inside-left and the pivot brought the ball past the opposing backs. Having reached the circle, the centre let go a scorching drive which landed in the top corner of the net for a three-nil lead.

In the second half play became closer. The victors slowed down perceptibly, giving the trailers a fine chance to comeback. After several fruitless tries, Area Details saw their hopes realized as the centre forward beat the Loyal goalie with a fine cross shot in the 20th minute.

ANNUAL MEETING OF YACHT CLUB

Commodore Sends Telegram from Hongkong

OFFICERS ELECTED FOR COMING SEASON

While yachtsmen have perforce to leave their racing in abeyance until the cessation of the hostilities, even though they have passed on from this area, an enthusiastic group turned out for the Annual General Meeting of the Shanghai Yacht Club yesterday afternoon at the Metropole Hotel, auguring well for the future, which the Commodore in a telegram despatched from Hongkong, urged should be regarded with confidence.

The fleet in greatest proportion has sought safe anchorage in the Soochow creek, thanks to the enterprise of the British Authorities who cooperated with the Club Committee during the height of the hostilities, and the racing yachts are lying at anchor waiting for the opening up of the area to start activities again. Several of the cruising craft have remained on the lower reaches of the river and the more enterprising have ventured fairly far afield, even out in to the Yangtze.

At yesterday's meeting, Mr. R. Lock the Vice-Commodore, took the chair in the absence of the Commodore, Mr. H. M. Mann, who is at present in Hongkong, the latter sending a telegram to explain his absence and to urge those at the meeting to look to the future with confidence.

Registration of Yachts

Among the points of interest which came up for discussion at yesterday's meeting was the registration of yachts and loadahs. During the removal of yachts from Minghong to the Soochow creek, the Club register proved most useful in getting owners to gather together for the purpose of joining the convoy which passed through the boom. It was, however, found that several have yet to register their craft and these are urged to do so immediately. Enthusiastic racing men agreed that the holding of sailing protests in public gathering at the Club would be for the betterment of the sport and this recommendation was passed on to the committee.

The Club had taken Messrs. Thomson & Company as their Treasurers for the year and the move would relinquish the Honorary Treasurer from a considerable amount of his work. A proposal to incorporate the Club as a Limited Liability Company was brought up and the matter was left for the incoming committee to decide upon. Periodical visits to the Club property at Minghong were urged in order to gain an idea as to the state of this property and it is understood application is being made for this purpose.

New Officers

Before the meeting closed, Commander F. R. Davey proposed a vote of thanks to the outgoing Committee for their good work during the year, especially in regard to the evacuating of the racing craft and pleasure boats from Minghong at the height of the trouble.

The following were elected to office for the forthcoming season: Commodore: H. M. Mann; Vice-Commodore: R. Lock; Rear-Commodore: O. D. Terrill; Hon. Sailing sec: K. F. Piper; Hon Treas: F. C. Warburton; Hon. Secretary: J. C. Boldero. General Committee: W. Hamilton, J. D. Riddell; C. C. Todd.

GRAND NATIONAL CALL-OVERS

London, Feb. 23.

The following are the call-overs for the Lincolnshire Handicap, to be run at Lincoln on March 23, and the Grand National, to be run at Aintree on March 25:—

LINCOLNSHIRE HANDICAP

100-7 Squadron Castle offered, 100-6 taken
100-7 Galsonia, offered, 100-6 taken
100-6 Scarlet Princess
18-1 Peter Kane
20-1 Gunboat, offered
20-1 Gibbons, offered
20-1 Discord, offered
25-1 Hornpipe, offered 33-1 taken
25-1 Laureat, offered 1
25-1 Allegiance, offered
25-1 Pampas Grass, offered
25-1 Moody, offered
25-1 King's Gap, offered
25-1 Dan Buliger, offered
25-1 Kyles of Minard, offered

GRAND NATIONAL

100-8 De la Chance,
15-1 Blue Shirt, offered
18-1 Takvorpacha, offered, 20-1 taken
18-1 Dunhill Castle, offered
20-1 Royal Mail, offered, 25-1 taken
20-1 Drinmore Lad
22-1 Cooleen
25-1 Davy Jones
25-1 Puckabelle
25-1 Bachelor Prince
28-1 Royal Danielli, offered
28-1 Inversible, offered.—Reuter

R. P. Keay won the S.L.H. 10 miles championship at Coulsdon covering the heavy course in 59min 31sec, half a mile ahead of the rest. K. C. Lawry, the holder, did not run.

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DIZZY DEAN SIGNS WITH THE CARDINALS

St. Louis, Mo., Feb. 23.

The St. Louis Cardinals announced here to-day that Jerome Dizzy Dean, former mound ace of the Redbirds, had signed a new contract for the 1938 baseball season.

Dean was reported to have accepted a cut in salary because of his poor performance last season, his worst year since joining the St. Louis team.—United Press.

Cyril Goodchild, 23-year-old North Berwick artisan-golfer, has joined the staff of Henry Cotton, the Open Champion, at Ashridge (Herts).

LIKELY WINNERS ARE SELECTED

Badminton Championships to Begin Shortly

The draws for the season's Shanghai Badminton Association Championships have now been made and all sections have a list of entries which will ensure many interesting matches. The semi-finals must all be completed by March 19 and the final will take place at the French Club on March 24 and 25.

The Men's Singles has received thirteen entries and it appears to be likely that the four to reach the semi-finals will be Meise, Eardley, Kew and Flood. Meise will very probably eliminate Eardley but the outcome of the Kew and Flood game is by no means certain. Meise, however, should survive the final, irrespective of who he has to meet, and add this year to his many proceeding ones as the local men's champion.

Fancied Players

Of the eight entrants of the Ladies' Singles, Mrs. Burton and Miss Eardley should meet in the final. Mrs. Burton has not a great deal to fear until she meets that stage but Miss Eardley should encounter Mme des Courtils in the semi-finals. Although it is very unlikely that the former will not get through this round it might be a close affair if Mme des Courtils is on the top of her form. The final between Mrs. Burton and Miss Eardley will be full of interest but, everything considered, Miss Eardley should retain the title which she now holds. It will, however, be a battle between sheer hard play on one side and courtcraft and experience on the other.

The Men's Doubles boasts nine entries and to foretell the names of those to reach the semi-finals is a difficult proposition with such combinations as Meise-Berents, Stokes-Flood, Kew-Wade, 'Stick' Duff-Eardley and de Senna-da Silva. One thing is certain and that is that all five of these couples cannot reach this stage, but Meise-Berents, and Stokes and Flood are fancied to meet in the upper half. In the lower, Duff and Eardley should meet the Portuguese couple who have been doing so well in the Whalley Shield. This game should be one well worth watching. Any of the semi-finalists might win the final although the chances are slightly in favour of Berents-Meise, the present holders.

Other Likely Winners

Mrs. Maitland and Mrs. Burton, the winners of last year's Ladies Doubles, will most certainly encounter Mme des Courtils and Miss Eardley in the final and it is well within the bounds of possibility that the title will change hands.

As regards the Mixed Doubles, Miss Eardley and 'Stick' Duff should get into the final on their side of the draw and meet Mrs. Burton and Meise, the present champions. This should be a most interesting contest as four strong players will be seen in action, two sides with very different ideas and theories as to how Mixed Doubles should be played. Mrs. Burton and Meise always play net and back-line whilst their opponents favour side-by-side.

Sunday Rugger Game Cancelled

The rugger game arranged between the French Army and a D.L.I. XV for Sunday afternoon has been cancelled. The British battalion has a hunt on that afternoon and is, therefore, only able to field two sides.

THE CANIDROME RESULTS

1.—440 yd. flat.—1, Peony; 2, Pai Koo.
Also ran:—Daiebird, Busa, Fearless Foe, Skedaddle.
Short head.—Time, 27.28.
Win, $157.20. Forecast No. 4-1 Div. $181.30.
2.—440 yd. flat.—1, Don Juan, 2, Beau Ideal.
Also ran:—Chihli Grey Waif, Gleniffer, Victory II, Future Pal.
3½ lengths.—Time, 26.69.
Win, $19.60. Forecast No. 1-2 Div. $82.00.
3.—500 yd. flat.—1, Marjorie; 2, Kind Girl.
Also ran:—Last Ray, Zingaro, Swallow, Silver Days.
6 lengths.—Time, 30.81.
Win, $18.20. Forecast No. 5-1 Div. $75.20.
4.—500 yd. flat.—1, Ah Liang; 2, Barney.
Also ran:—Bowster Boy, Velocity, Mascot Major, Livex.
2 lengths.—Time, 30.57.
Win, $62.60. Forecast No. 6-2 Div. $207.10.
5.—500 yd. flat.—1, Lucky Polly; 2, Marietta
Also ran:—Snowdrift II, Dinna Ken, Careless Jean, Prominence.
4½ lengths.—Time, 30.65.
Win, $12.00. Forecast No. 3-5 Div. $80.30.
6.—500 yd. flat.—1, Simple Cissy, 2, Royal China.
Also ran:—Saucy, Valendall, Trump Card, Lady Jack.
1 length.—Time, 30.44.
Win, $11.80. Forecast No. 5-3 Div. $32.40.
7.—500 yd. flat.—1, Mars; 2, Careless Orontes.
Also ran:—Master Bill, Zayelong, Brilliant Tot, San Fairy Ann.
A Neck.—Time, 30.37.
Win, $12.70. Forecast No. 5-2 Div. $76.20.
8.—500 yd. flat.—1, Chop Fante; 2, Ladybird II.
Also ran:—Talisman, Neptune, Merry Mike, Whitey.
Short Head.—Time, 30.18.
Win, $21.80. Forecast No. 4-2 Div. $212.10.
9.—500 yd. flat.—1, Chop Chop; 2, Bethany.
Also ran:—Terence, Luhai Lass, Red Star, Pearlman.
2 lengths.—Time, 29.92.
Win, $29.50. Forecast No. 3-6 Div. $158.50.
10.—500 yd. flat.—1, Careless Auntie; 2, Short Wave.
Also ran:—Buckhurst Hill, Wild Rose, Chop Slick, Blue Moon.
3 lengths.—Time, 30.12.
Win, $33.50. Forecast No. 3-4 Div. $161.00.
11.—525 yd. flat.—1, Mercedes; 2, Dalphine.
Also ran:—Chihli Blue Bird, Nocturne, Silhouette, Actor.
3½ lengths.—Time, 31.41.
Win, $20.40. Forecast No. 5-1 Dic. $84.80.
12.—525 yd. flat.—1, Long Wave; 2, O.I.C.
Also ran:—Home Again, King Chw Bar, Copalet, Catch Me.
1½ length.—Time, 31.33.
Win, $12.10. Forecast No. 4-2 Div. $64.70.
13.—525 yd. flat.—1, Major; 2, Belle O'Cathay.
Also ran:—Radio, Chihli Blue Arrow, Miss Hummer, Fly Catcher.
Short Head.—Time, 31.37.
Win, $15.20. Forecast No. 4-1 Div. $84.80.

SHANGHAI HOCKEY CLUB TEAMS CHOSEN

S.H.C. "A."—E. H. Brazel, C. A. Bowen, H. A. Crickmer, C. B. Broadbent, M. W. Turner, R. W. Edwards, I. H. Kendall, P. Watkin Williams, C. H. W. Robertson, J. S. Kenyon, J. F. R. Louitt. Umpire: C. P. O. Eccles.

S.H.C. "B."—H. A. Crickmer, J. H. Blakelock, W. G. Graham, L. W. Pettit, J. H. Ford, J. G. Cotesworth, I. A. Grant, H. F. B. Gardener (captain), A. Lyle, W. J. Silvey, R. J. Parsons. Umpire: E. H. Brazel.

S.H.C. "C."—H. G. Reed, G. T. Gambling (captain), G. E. Barker, F. C. Warburton, I. McGilchrist, J. R. Kale, J. Robertson, R. A. Close, J. C. Boldero, J. C. Lucas, R. M. P. Skinner. Umpire: E. P. Higgs.

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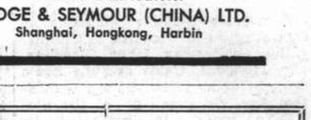

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THE CINEMA

"DINNER AT THE RITZ"

Ranie Racine	Annabella
Philip de Beaufort	Paul Lukas
Paul de Brack	David Niven
Jimmy Raine	Romney Brent
Brogard	Francis L. Sullivan
Racine	Stewart Rome
Lady Railton	Norah Swinburne
Duval	Tyrell Davis
Tarade	Frederick Leister
Devine	William Dewhurst
Marthe	Vivienne Chatterton
Sydney	Ronald Shiner
Gibout	Raymond Huntley
Auctioneer	Ralph Truman

While the story contains ample quantities of intrigue, romance, mystery, and murder, "Dinner at the Ritz," at the Cathay Theatre, would be more plausible were its joints tightened. Murder, mystery and the ensuing chase, are generally conceived here along lines which have proved popular but the action moves along loosely, and the actors seem to have little faith in the immortality of the picture. Annabella is seen as her usual charming self and in two disguises, first as a Spanish senorita and later as an Indian princess. In the former disguise, she goes to Monte Carlo bedecked with gleaming jewels which she is to sell for a broker on the excuse of heavy losses at the tables. Throughout the picture she is searching for the murderer of her father, the villain being played by Mr. Paul Lukas. She gets him in the end after considerable sleuthing and flashing of guns.—R.R.R.

"DAMSEL IN DISTRESS"

Jerry	Fred Astaire
George	George Burns
Gracie	Gracie Allen
Lady Alyce	Joan Fontaine
Keggs	Reginald Gardiner
Reggie	Ray Noble
Lady Caroline	Constance Collier
Lord Marshmorton	Montagu Love
Albert	Harry Watson
Miss Ruggles	Jan Duggan

Combine the dancing wizardry of Fred Astaire, the clever cross-talk of Burns and Allen and the inimitable humour of P. G. Wodehouse, and the result is—"Damsel in Distress," which opened at the Metropol Theatre yesterday. After his last picture, Mr. Astaire might well have feared that his next would be rather in the nature of an anti-climax; someone, however, has done a lot of hard and clever thinking, for here he is back again with dance routines that are different and dazzling in their perfection and brilliance. Of the Burns and Allen team, little comment is necessary; it is enough to say that Gracie is well above par with her apparently inane remarks, and Brother George aids and abets her in his customary capable manner. And there is a new "star" in Miss Fontaine (née "de Havilland" and the sister of Olivia) who is not only definitely easy on the eyes but can also turn out a good performance as Lady Alyce. Does one ever bother with the details of a Wodehouse plot as long as the fun keeps up (and it is genuine Wodehouse fun, too)? Well, it's all about a celebrated, publicity-shy American dancer and a young and titled British lady he meets in a taxi; they travel through the usual complicated maze of plot, counterplot, scheming and so on on the part of all concerned until, finally, the orange blossoms bloom amid the pealing of wedding bells. Incidentally, there is another new "star" in none other than Ray Noble, of dance band fame, who, besides conducting his orchestra and indulging in light feats with various musical and un-musical instruments, turns in an excellent portrayal of Reggie, that typical type of Reggie which marks a Wodehouse story. Two other characters straight out of Wodehousian Manor are Messrs. Gardiner and Love, as the butler and Lord Marshmorton respectively—with the slight exception that the former was not ubiquitous *all* the time and the latter never absent-minded. "Damsel in Distress" is a splendid farce of love and laughter and, in addition, is blessed with something fresh in plot-treatment.—E.G.A.

FRANCE MAY RECOGNIZE ITALIAN EMPIRE

Envoy to U.S. Comments on London Changes

New York, Feb. 24.

"If Great Britain recognizes the Italian conquest of Ethiopia, France will follow suit," the Comte de St. Quentin, the new French Ambassador to the United States, predicted upon his arrival here to-day.

The resignation of Mr. Anthony Eden as Foreign Secretary in the British Government would not interfere with the policy of France, said the Ambassador.

Great Britain and France, he added, would continue to co-operate for European peace.—Reuter.

Safeguard For British Credit From 'Hot Money'

Mr. J. M. Keynes on Decline of Gilt-edged Securities

FOREIGN LIQUID FUNDS EFFECTS ON LONDON

London, Feb. 23.

Addressing the annual meeting of the National Mutual Life Assurance Society to-day, Mr. J. M. Keynes, the well-known economist, in his capacity as Chairman, ascribed the decline in gilt-edged securities and other markets during the first nine months of last year mainly to gold purchases by the Equalization Fund amounting to £190,000,000.

The purchases were not financed by the sale of Treasury Bills, the volume of which fell by £36,000,000.

Of that amount, £14,000,000 was raised by the re-sale of gold to the Bank of England, £104,000,000 by receipts of long-term capital in the form of 2¾ per cent. fundings of National Defence Bonds, £12,000,000 from revenue surplus, while the balance was apparently provided from capital resources of Government Departments such as, for instance, Health Insurance and the Unemployment Fund.

Effects of "Hot Money"

Altogether, Mr. Keynes estimates that £176,000,000 in liquid resources were withdrawn by domestic holders and placed at the disposal of foreign interest, who did not invest the bulk of their "hot money" on the Stock Exchange but kept it liquid in the shape of deposits and Treasury Bills.

Domestic liquid assets were reckoned by the Chairman to have been reduced by between £100,000,000 and £150,000,000.

Thus gilt-edged issues and other markets had to fall sufficiently to induce domestic holders to part with their liquid resources in exchange for less liquid assets. Surprise was expressed by Mr. Keynes that the prices of gilt-edged securities did not fall more.

If the Equalization Fund desires the ebb and flow of "hot money" to have the least possible effect on domestic credit, it must arrange for its liquid resources to be increased to the extent of any increase in demand by the holders of "hot money."

No explanation was ventured by the Chairman to account for the events since last September, but he thought the recent improvement in gilt-edged issues might be due to a cessation, if not reversal, of the above forces.—Reuter.

GUN PLANS FOUND ON OLD MAN

Admiralty Laboratory Worker Drops Dead at Teddington

London, Feb. 24.

Important documents revealing constructional details of the latest type of guns were found in the pocket of a 60-year-old man who fell down dead at the railway station of Teddington near London yesterday evening and who was later identified as an employee of the research laboratory of the Admiralty, named Edwin Chapell.

An enquiry is now in progress as to why Chapell had the documents with him and how the papers came into his possession. Some papers intimate that the dead man may have been mixed up in some espionage affair and they assert that the object of the enquiry in which the intelligence service is allegedly taking part, is chiefly to ascertain whether Chapell was in any way connected with the Soviet Russian espionage bureau in London whose existence was revealed during an enquiry into the Woolwich arsenal espionage affair recently.—Trans-Ocean.

HAPPY EVENT EXPECTED IN CHANGCHUN

Manchu Emperor's Sister-in-Law

Changchun, Feb. 24.

Mrs. Pu Chieh, the wife of Emperor Kangte's brother, is an expectant mother it was announced here to-day. Mrs. Pu Chieh, who is the granddaughter of Marquis Kimikatsu Saga, and Capt. Pu Chieh, were married last Spring.—Domei.

ANGLO-EIRE TALKS CONTINUED

Progress Made in Commercial Negotiations

BOTH SIDES MAINTAINING STAND ON PARTITION

London, Feb. 23.

A full conference of the Ministers of the United Kingdom and the Ministers of Eire was held this afternoon, following an hour-long conversation in the House of Commons between Mr. Eamon de Valera, Prime Minister of Eire, and Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Prime Minister.

Mr. Chamberlain, Sir Samuel Hoare the Home Secretary, Sir Thomas Inskip, Minister for the Co-ordination of Defence, and Mr. Malcolm Macdonald, Secretary for the Dominions were present at the meeting, which lasted 90 minues. Sir John Simon the Chancellor of the Exchequer, was unable to attend.

The discussions ranged over a wide field and embraced questions of partition, defence, finance and trade. The meeting was adjourned to allow the Ministers to discuss the position among themselves.

On the question of partition, it was understood, the attitude of both sides remained unchanged.

Later, discussions affecting trade were resumed with a view to the conclusion of a trade agreement. The Irish delegates at this conference were Mr. Sean Lemass, the Minister for Industry and Commerce, Mr. Ryan, the Minister for Agriculture, and Mr. James Dulanty, the Irish High Commissioner in London, and, for the United Kingdom, Mr. W. S. Morrison, Minister of Agriculture, and Mr. Malcolm Macdonald. In the absence of Mr. Oliver Stanley, the Board of Trade was represented by officials.—Reuter.

ANGLO-U.S. TRADE TALKS TO BEGIN

British Experts Visit Mr. Cordell Hull

Washington, Feb. 24.

Accompanied by Sir Ronald Lindsay, the British Ambassador in Washington, the British experts who arrived here a few days ago to negotiate a trade agreement between Great Britain and America visited Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, to-day.

Discussions on the general aspects of the agreement are to start almost immediately.

The talks will be of a preliminary character, and not binding on either side, pending public hearings at which objections and suggestions are expected from American producers.—Reuter.

OBITUARY

Mr. Seymour P. Gilbert

New York, Feb. 23.

Mr. Seymour Parker Gilbert, one of the partners of Messrs. J. P. Morgan & Co., died of cardiacphritis here to-day. He was 45 years old.

Considered in many quarters as one of the nation's greatest financial experts since Alexander Hamilton, Mr. Gilbert had long been in the banking business. At the time of his death, he was director of several leading banking concerns among which was the Bankers Trust Company of New York.

During the World War, Mr. Gilbert served as a member of the War Loan Board of the Treasury Department and in 1921 became Under-Secretary of the Treasury in charge of fiscal matters.—United Press.

DEAN RESIGNS POST IN PROTEST

Tokyo Imperial University and Alleged "Reds"

Tokyo, Feb. 24.

Following the rejection of his proposal to the faculty of the Tokyo Imperial University's Department of Economics that three professors recently detained on suspicion of being radicals be immediately dismissed, Dean Shigeyoshi Hujikata to-day resigned his post.

Prof. Hyoye Ouchi and Assistant Professors Hiromi Arisawa and Yoshitaro Wakimura were arrested ealier this month on suspicion of having been involved in the Popular Front movement.—Domei.

British Ambassador Arrives in Shanghai

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possibly of the mails, in Shanghai, Sir Archibald reminded the Press that he had been out of touch with the Foreign Office for a whole month since leaving for China, and so he had not been supplied with any specific instructions with regard to this subject. Sir Archibald emphasized that he was not in any way a "special envoy" to China, but was merely the British Ambassador to China, taking the place of Sir Hughe Knatchbull-Hugessen.

Sir Archibald stated that he had not yet made any preparations for leaving for Chungking to present his credentials, but reminded the Press that the first duty of an Ambassador when arriving in the country to which he was accredited was to present a letter to the head of the state. "I have not yet considered how to get to Chungking", explained Sir Archibald, "but I shall have to do so quite soon". Questioned as to where he would make his headquarters while in China, the new Ambassador said that he was going to work wherever he found that he was most useful. In any case, part of the Embassy staff would be stationed permanently in Shanghai.

Mr. Eden's Resignation

The situation in the Far East would not be radically affected by the resignation of Mr. Anthony Eden as Foreign Minister, Sir Archibald declared in answer to a question. Mr. Eden's resignation, he stated, arose from the situation in Europe, and not from the situation in the Far East, and while it might result in a slight change in policy in this part of the world, there would be no radical change.

With regard to co-operation between Great Britain and the United States, Sir Archibald said that it had already been made clear in the House of Commons that Great Britain and America would co-operate to the fullest possible extent.

Turning with a scarcely concealed sigh of relief to more personal questions, Sir Archibald said that he had been recalled from Baghdad to assume the post of British Ambassador to China, and had proceeded straight to London. Here, he remained nine days finding out all he could about the Far Eastern situation, afterwards flying back to Baghdad, where he spent four days in farewells before climbing into another plane and setting off for India. Arrived at Hongkong, he boarded H.M.S. Falmouth for Shanghai.

Not Seasick

Asked by one correspondent whether he was seasick on the way up from Hongkong, as the weather was reported to be bad during the past few days, Sir Archibald said, "I am too proud to be seasick. The Falmouth is a small ship, and twice she had to stop on the way up. The last two days of the trip were delightful, and the sea was beautifully calm."

Sir Archibald mentioned that he had seen Sir Hughe Knatchbull-Hugessen in London, and had had dinner with him one night. Sir Hughe's health was almost normal once again, and after a rest he expected to take up a new position later in the year. Sir Archibald said that he had never been east of Persia before, but had held positions in practically every other part of the world. His first impressions of Shanghai were the realization of what he had pictured Shanghai to be like. "Shanghai," declared Sir Archibald, "is rather like Monte Carlo, in that it looks exactly as it is depicted in the posters."

"I am afraid you must think me rather dull," Sir Archibald concluded, "but you must remember that I am paid to be dull."

Ambassador's Career

Prior to his appointment as British Ambassador to China, succeeding Sir Hughe Knatchbull-Hugessen, Sir Archibald was British Ambassador in Baghdad. He entered the diplomatic service in 1906, serving at Berlin, Buenos Aires, Washington, Rome and Teheran. He assumed the surname of Kerr in addition to that of Kerr Clark in 1911. In 1916, he was transferred to the Foreign Office, and then served as a private with the Scots Guards in 1918. He was promoted to be a First Secretary in 1918 and a year later was appointed to H.M. Agency at Tangier.

Transferred to Cairo in 1922, he acted as Chargé d'Affaires for a while before being promoted to Counsellor. In 1925 he was made Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary at Guatemala and in the same year was appointed Consul-General for the Republics of Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua and Salvador. In 1928 he was transferred to Santiago, and a year later married the Senorita Maria Teresa Diaz Salaz, daughter of Senor Javier Diaz Lira, of Santiago de Chile.

In 1931 he was transferred to Stockholm and in 1935 was appointed Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary at Baghdad. He was made a K.C.M.G. in the 1935 New Year Honours' List, and received the Silver Jubilee Medal that same year.

New U.S. Commander on Yangtze

Canton, Feb. 24.

Rear-Admiral David M. Le-Breton, formerly Chief-of-Staff of the United States Fleet, will arrive in Hongkong in the ss. President Coolidge on March 1. He will at once proceed, by air, to Hankow where he will relieve Rear-Admiral Edward J. Marquart, who has been Commander of the Yangtze Patrol since February, 1937. Rear-Admiral Marquart will go to Manila where he will remain for about a month before returning to the United States.—Reuter.

FRANCE WILL SPEED ARMS PROGRAMME

Special Fund to be Created for Defence Purposes

Paris, Feb. 23.

Considerable importance is attached here to the secret meeting of the three National Defence Committees of the Senate which started this afternoon under the chairmanship of M. Joseph Caillaux, and in the presence of the three Ministers of National Defence.

Although the proceedings will be kept secret, it is understood that measures have been decided upon to speed up the armaments programme, especially for the air force.

The Finance Committee of the Chamber of Deputies will examine on Friday the plan submitted by the Finance Minister, M. Paul Marchandeau, for the constitution of a National Defence Fund for a period of two years and permitting extension at the end of this period. The Chamber will be asked to discuss the subject immediately and the debate may start on March 3.

The Finance Committee will also study the plan providing for the decrease of the tax imposed on industrial and commercial profits.—Havas.

JAPAN BOYCOTT URGED IN IRONIC SETTING

St. Joseph, Feb. 23.

Col. W. E. Stringfellow Spanish-American War veteran, to-day urged the national convention of Veterans of the Spanish-American War to launch a boycott against Japanese goods.

The next speaker, Dr. Harry Baum, pointed out that all flags decorating the convention hall had been made in Japan.—United Press.

Japanese Take More Town in Shantung Prov.

Chinese Claim Advance in Shansi is Halted

ARTILLERY DUEL ACROSS YELLOW RIVER

Tsinan, Feb. 24.

A Japanese detachment continuing its drive in the southern section of Shantung today occupied Chinshui and Miaochiachu, south-west of Chuhsien. The unit is advancing swiftly toward the south along the Chinchow highway in the direction of Linchin.

The Numata and Nagano detachments yesterday afternoon occupied Kiasiang, an important town west of Tsining.

In northern Shantung, the Oki detachment yesterday routed a force of 5,000 men in a two-hour engagement near Huanghsien, west of Chefoo. A large amount of ammunition was also captured by the Japanese unit.—Domei.

Fall of Jihchao

Tsingtao, Feb. 24.

Japanese troops captured Jihchao, about 100 kilometres south-west of Tsingtao, at 7 o'clock on February 22, it was announced to-day.—Domei.

Hankow, Feb. 24.

The advance of the Japanese columns from Taiyuanfu towards the new capital of Shansi, Linfeng, was brought to a standstill by the Chinese yesterday afternoon, it is stated here. The Chinese, moreover, claim that they compelled the Japanese to retire towards Chiehsiu.

The Japanese, on the other hand, succeeded in gaining further ground on the frontier between Shansi and Honan where they are advancing on tracks of the Tauching railway branch line westward. In this sector the Japanese captured the towns of Poyai, Hsinyang and Munshien, it is admitted.

From Munishien, which is located directly on the northern bank of the Yellow river, the Japanese this morning violently shelled the southern bank of the river, particularly the town of Muntsin. Chinese batteries on the southern bank of the Yellow river are holding the Japanese positions under heavy fire so that a crossing of the river will—in the opinion of official quarters here—hardly be possible at this point for some time —Trans-Ocean.

AMERICAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Mr. W. H. Plant Honoured, New Directors Elected

The American Chamber of Commerce of Shanghai held its 23rd Annual Meeting at the American Club yesterday afternoon. There were present Admiral H. E. Yarnell, Dr. Robert Fitch, the speaker, Mr. W. H. Plant, president of the organization, the directors, and about 100 members.

The annual report was approved with the addition of a commendation of Mr. W. H. Plant for his work as a member of the Shanghai Municipal Council and for his participation in relief work during and following the hostilities here. A commendation of the work of the American units of the S.V.C. was also voted. The following were elected directors for 1938: Messrs. N. F. Allman, P. H. Bordwell, J. Fistere, Jr., C. S. Franklin, R. E. Gilleland, A. B. Henningsen, P. F. LeFevre, M. Marcus, R. E. O'Bolger, H. E. Page, W. H. Plant, A. E. Schumacher, Bruce Smith, F. J. Twogood, F. E. Vincent.

An interesting speech was made by Dr. Robert Fitch on "Pacifism, the Cradle of Militarism" which was well received by the gathering.

TAMPERING WITH LETTERS ATTRIBUTED TO SOVIET

Tokyo, Feb. 24.

Indications that Soviet post offices "have been tampering with private letters addressed to Japanese residents in the Soviet Union," led the Japanese police authorities to-day to warn citizens of this country to refrain from "touching too much on things Japanese except the compliments of the season."—Domei.

MAYA COMPOSITE PLANE FULLY PROVED

London, Feb. 23.

The Maya composite aircraft made a successful official demonstration flight to-day at Rochester, when the upper component separated and climbed easily away from the carrier flying-boat, at 700 feet.—Wireless through Reuter.

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BANK'S SELLING RATES 10 A.M.

£1 @ 1/2 7/16 ..... $ 16.95
U.S. $100 @ 29 3/8 ..... $337.55

BANK'S BUYING RATES 10 A.M.

£1 @ 1/2 7/16 ..... $16.7685
U.S. $100 @ 29 1/8 ..... $334.72
London—demand 1/2 7/16
4 months' sight credits 1/2 4/4
4 months' sight docts 1/2 4/4
6 months' sight credits 1/2 3/8
6 months' sight docts 1/2 7/16
New York—demand ..... U.S. $29 1/8
4 months' sight credits 30
4 months' sight docts 30 1/8
Paris—4 months' sight docts Fcs. nom.

CLOSING RATES

Sterling ..... 1/2 7/32 U.S. $29 23/32

Chartered Bank

Canadian $100 at 29 3/8 = $338.27

Netherlands Trading Society

Java Guilders $100 ..... buying 53 1/4
Netherlands Guilders $100 .. „ 53 3/8
Java Guilders $100 ..... selling 52 3/8
Netherlands Guilders $100 .. „ 52 3/4

National City Bank of New York

Selling	U.S.$1 = $3.3755	£1 = $16.954
Buying	U.S.$1 = $3.3473	£1 = $16.805

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Buying	U.S.$100 = $335.43	£1 = $16.80
Selling	U.S.$100 = $337.53	£1 = $16.92

Banque Belge Pour L'Etranger

Belgas 1.74 1/4 = $1 Belgas 29.42 = £1

Other Quotations

It. Lire 5.53 = $1 Swiss F. 1.27 1/2 = $1
Tourist Lire 6.13 ..... = $1
Berlin-Hamburg T.T. $100 = Rm. 73 1/4
$100 = Reg. Mk. 137.00

LOCAL EXCHANGE REPORT

Messrs. Drakeford, Davis & Wilson

INTER BANK CASH DELIVERY

£	Highest 1/2 1/4	Lowest 1/2 7/16
U.S. G.$	29 3/4	29 3/8
Yen	102 3/8	102 7/16

MERCHANTS CLOSING RATES

SELLING		BUYING
Cash		February
£ T.T.	1/2 7/16	1/2 5/8
G.$ T.T.	29 1/4	29 7/8
Fcs. T.T.	911	940
Rs. T.T.	78 3/8	79

	4 m/s. l.c.	4 m/s. l.c.
	4 m/s.	4 m/s.
	7 d/s.	7 d/s.

BAR SILVER

	READY	FOR'D
London pence per std. oz.	20 1/4	19 1/8
N.Y. cents per oz. troy	44 3/4	—
Bombay Rs. per 100 tolas	50.14	—

Bombay offtake 75 bars. Market quiet and steady.

London Silver was 1/8 up for ready and 1/8 up forward, being 20 1/4 for spot and 19 1/8 forward. New York was unchanged at 44 3/4 and Bombay was six annas up at 50.14.

It was reported there was a little speculative buying and bear covering. Offerings were small. Market steady. After the official fixing the market was quiet, with buyers satisfied, whilst the metal was inclined to be offered at the fixed rate.

The local exchange market opened with sellers to merchants 1/2 7/16 Sterling 29 1/2 U.S.$ and 101 7/8 Yen.

The Interbank market was steady in the morning, and inclined to be slightly easier forward in the afternoon. At the close there were sellers:

February	Sterling 1/2 7/32	U.S.$29 23/32
March	Sterling 1/2 1/8	U.S.$29 1/2
April	Sterling 1/2 3/32	U.S.$29 3/32

FOREIGN EXCHANGES

Bombay Rupee T. T. on: Feb. 23.

Japan	77 1/2	London	1/6 7/16
New York	264 7/8	2 mths	
Shanghai	80	„ (sellers)	1/6 3/4
Hongkong	84 1/8	„ (buyers)	1/6 11/16

London £ Sterling T. T. on:

New York	501 80	Shanghai	1/2 5/8
Paris	153.87	Bombay	1/6 3/4
Berlin	12.39 3/4	Hongkong	1/3 1/8
Amsterdam	8.96 5/8	Singapore	2/4 5/8
Brussels	29.55 1/2	Yokohama	1/2
Madrid	77.00 N	(buying)	1/1 3/4
Milan	95.23	C'Slovakia	142.68
Berne	21.59 1/4		

New York: U.S.$ T. T. on:

Berlin	40.50	Japan	29.05
Spain	6.10	Shanghai	29.35
Holland	55.96	Austria	18.95
Paris	3.26 1/2	C'Slovakia	3.51 3/4
Brussels	16.99	Hungary	19.90
Italy	5.25 1/4	Rumania	0.74 1/2
S'zerland	23.24 1/2	Yugo Slavia	2.35
Sweden	25.85	Greece	0.92 1/8
Norway	25.22 1/2	Bulgaria	1.25
Denmark	22.40	Finland	2.22 1/2
Montreal	100.015	Poland	19.00
Brazil	5.95		
London			5.01 1/8
London Demand			5.01 3/8
London Bankers' 60 days bills			5.01 1/8
London Commercial 60 days bills			5.01 1/8
Buenos Aires Paper			31.12
Buenos Aires Paper, market rate			26.35
Montreal on London			5.01 3/8

—Reuter.

FOREIGN MONEY RATES

London: Feb. 23.

Fine Bank Bills,	3 months	0 3/4%
Bank Bills,	6 months	0 13/16%
Fine Trade Bills,	3 months	2 1/4%
Fine Trade Bills,	6 months	2 3/4%
Call Money		0 1/2%

New York:

Bankers' Acceptances for 1, 2 and 3 months	0 1/2% B 0 7/16% A
Bankers' Acceptances for 4 months	0 7/16% B 0 1/2% A
Call Money	1%

B—Bid. A—Asked.—Reuter.

U.S. CRUDE OIL PRODUCTION

New York, Feb. 23.

The daily average gross crude oil production in the United States for the week ended February 19 was placed at 3,369,000 barrels, according to the weekly report of the American Petroleum Institute of New York, published to-day.

This compares with 3,325,000 barrels last week and 3,296,000 barrels for the corresponding period of last year, showing increases of 44,000 barrels and 73,000 barrels respectively, compared with the figure for the week under review.—Reuter.

MANILA GOLD SHARES

(Closing Bids in Pesos)

	Feb. 22	Feb. 24
Antamok	.59	.58
Atok	.26	.26
Benguet Consolidated	9.80	9.80
Consolidated Mines	Unq.	Unq.
Demonstration	.42	.39
Mine Operations	.16	.16
San Mauricio	.64	.61
United Paracale	.50	.48

Turnover 449,000 Pesos.
Index: (closing prices) 90.81.—Reuter

SILVER QUOTATIONS

London, Feb. 24.

Spot silver remained unchanged today, whilst forward moved 1/16d. lower from yesterday.

	Feb. 23	Feb. 24
London spot	20 1/4d.	20 1/4d.
„ forward	19 13/16d.	19 3/4d.

London/New York:

One pound	U.S.$5.01 1/8	$5.01 1/8
One U.S. dollar	47.815d.	47.845d.
Gold	139/10 1/2d.	139/9 1/2d.

—Reuter.

SHANGHAI STOCK EXCHANGE

Yesterday's Business

There was a continued inquiry for Rubbers with rates inclined to harden. Industrials are also showing a little more activity.

Morning Session

OFFICIAL

		CASH
500	Ewo Mills (Ord)	$ 12.00
500	Ewo Mills (Ord)	$ 12.25
1,000	Rubber Trust	$ 2.75
6,000	Senawang	$ 0.69
100	Cheng	$ 0.40
10	Anglo Java	$ 11.00
100	Shanghai Dock	$ 98.50
2,000	Sua Manggis	$ 1.60
500	Ewo Mills (Ord)	$ 12.40

UNOFFICIAL

2,000	Repah	$ 0.69
1,000	Dominion	$ 5.00
1,500	Bute	$ 3.05
150	Sungei Duri	$ 26.00
500	Anglo Java	$ 11.50
100	Shanghai Dock	$ 98.50
1,500	Dominion	$ 5.00
1,000	Bute	$ 3.10

Afternoon Session

OFFICIAL

600	Ewo Mills (Ord)	$ 12.40
500	Consolidated	$ 3.50
11,000	Semambu	$ 0.70
700	Semambu	$ 0.65
1,000	Padang	$ 1.00
2,000	Permata	$ 0.70

UNOFFICIAL

700	Anglo Java	$ 11.75
30	Union Insurance	Hk.$515.00

	Shares
Morning Session	18,460
Afternoon Session	16,530
	34,990

OFFICIAL INDEXES

	Feb. 23	24	Change
S'hai Rub. Share	190.47	192.54	Up 2.07
S'hai Gen. Stock	43.37x	*	—
Chi. Govt. Bond	101.61x	Closed	—

x—August 13, 1937.
*—Compilation Temporarily suspended until active trading resumed.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

Wednesday's Closing Quotations

London, Feb. 23.

Prices on the stock exchange to-day early ruled sharply higher, but then became reactionary in some sections in sympathy with Wall Street advices, which did not fully come up to expectations. Industrials were the best feature.—Reuter.

	Feb. 22	23
War Loan (3 1/2%) (Red.)	£103 7/16	103 1/2

JAPANESE BONDS

Japan 5% Stg. Loan, 1907	50 1/2	52
Japan 6% Stg. Loan, 1924	58 1/2	60

COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL

Allied Ironfounders	23/6	24/-
Armstrong Stevens	7/6	7/9
Assoc. & Elec. Indus.	40/10 1/2	41/10 1/2
Austin Motors, ord.	29/4 1/2	30/7 1/2
Bristol Aeroplane, ord.	48/-	48/-
British-American Tob.	105/-	106/3
Cable & W., new form	67 5/8	67 3/8
Cammell Laird, ord.	9/6	10/-
Courtaulds	41/11 1/2	41/4 1/2
Distillers	98/3	99/6
Dunlop Rubber	32/-	32/-
General Elec. (Eng.)	71/4 1/2	73/4 1/2
Guinness (A) Son & Co.	120/-	121/-
Hawker Siddeley Aircraft	23/4 1/2	24/-
Imp. Chem. Indus.	31/4 1/2	30/10 1/2
Imp. Tobacco	141/10 1/2	143/1 1/2
Leyland Motors	79/4 1/2	81/10 1/2
Marks & Spencer "A" ord.	53/9	55/7 1/2
Pressed Steel, com.	15/6	15/9
Rolls-Royce	88/9	89/4 1/2
Smethwick Drop Forgings	18/6	18/6
Tate & Lyle	78/10 1/2	80/-
Turner & Newall	79/9	80/10 1/2
United Steel	26/1 1/2	27/1 1/2
Vickers, ord.	24/6	24/9
Woolworths	63/6	64/1 1/2

MISCELLANEOUS

Anglo Dutch	26/6	27/6
Rubber Pltn. Invest.	25/7 1/2	26/6

MINES

Burma Corp.	10/-	10/4 1/2
Commonwealth Min.	2/3	2/4 1/2
Exploration Co.	2/-	1/10 1/2
Marsman Invest.	18/-	18/-
Randfontein Ests.	52/9	53/1 1/2
Sub-Nigel	210/-	210/-
Tanami Gold Min.	6d.	6d.

OILS

Anglo Iranian	80/7 1/2	80/-
Burmah	109/4 1/2	110/-
Mexican Eagle	10/3	10/-
Shell Trans. & Trad.	92/6	93/9

CHINESE EXTERNAL LOANS, ETC.

4 1/2% Gold Loan, 1898	£74	74
5% Gold Bonds, 1925-47	65	65
4 1/2% Anglo-French Loan	85	85
5% Crisp Loan, 1912 a	47 1/2	48
5% Reorg. Loan, 1913	54 1/2	54 1/2
8% Stg. Notes, 1925	15	15
5% Honan Rly., 1905	43	43
5% Hukuang Rly., 1911	26 1/2	26 1/2
5% „ „ (Ger. Is.)	25	25
5% Lung Tsing U. H. Rly.	17	17
5% S'hai-Nanking Rly.	38	38
5% T'tsin-Pukow Rly. B.	22	22
G.	22	22
5% „ „ (Supl. Loan.) B.	22	22
G.	22	22
5% „ „ (Supl. Loan) G.	22	22
5% Canton-Kowloon Rly.	18	18
S'hai Elec. Construction	31/3 N	31/3 N
S'hai Waterworks "A"	21 N	21 N
Un. Ins. Soc. of Canton	30 N	30 N
Chartd. Bank of I. A. & C.	12 1/4	12 1/4
H. & S. Bank (Ldn. Reg.)	90	91
„ „ (Col. Reg.)	91	91 1/4
Chinese Eng. & Min.	14/3	15/3
Chosen Corp.	8/9	8/9
Pekin Syndicate	2/6	2/9 N
Gula Kalumpong Rubber	26/3	27/6

N—Nominal.

BRITISH COMMODITIES

Wednesday's Closing Quotations

London, Feb. 23.

Among commodities, wheat ruled firm on a better demand for actuals, while base metals were early firm on bear covering and speculative buying, but then reacted on profit-taking. Cocoa opened firm on shorts covering and speculative buying, then eased on profit-taking and finally steadied on reports of large business.

London Rubber: Spot, buyers 7 5/8 +1/16; sellers 7 3/4 unch; March delivery, buyers 7 7/16 +1/16; sellers 7 7/8 unch.

London Sugar (Buyers): March 5/4 +1/4; May 5/5 1/4 +1/4; Aug. 5/6 1/4 +1/4.

Liverpool Wheat: March 7/6 3/8 +1 3/8; May 7/5 1/2 +1 3/8; July 7/4 3/8 +1 3/8.

Liverpool Cotton: American Futures: March 5.13 +3; May 5.20 +3; July 5.26 +4; Sept. 5.30 +4; Egyptian Futures (Giza, F.G.F. No. 7): Mar. 7.38 +6; May 7.43 +6; July 7.47 +6; Sept. 7.47 +6.

London Metals: Copper, Standard, cash sellers £42 1/4 +1 3/4; 3 mths sellers £42 3/8 +3/4; Electrolytic, buyers £45 1/2 +1/4; sellers £46 1/2 +1/2; Tin, Standard, cash sellers £190 1/2 +3 1/2; 3 mths sellers £190 1/4 +3 1/2; Lead, Foreign, official price, sellers £16 7/16 +5/8; 3 mths delivery, official price, sellers £16 1/4 +5/8; Spelter, Ordinary, official price, sellers £15 7/16 +9/16; 3 mths delivery, official price, sellers £15 1/2 +7/8.—Reuter.

PARIS BOURSE

Paris, Feb. 23.

Following yesterday's session in the House of Commons which resulted in a victory for the Government the Paris Bourse turned optimistic to-day, with the result that the majority of issues showed gains.

Internationals led the way, finishing the day at levels considerable higher than at the previous session.

French counters again showed an Upward trend, some issues merely consolidating yesterday's gains.

Raw material shares were particularly firm owing to favourable advices from London.—Havas.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Wednesday's Closing Quotations

New York, Feb. 23.

Stock prices on Wall Street to-day closed firm with the entire list registering gains, largely influenced by generally higher commodity prices, a brighter European political outlook and more encouraging business news. Sentiment was good, with traders operating more freely, while profit-taking was readily absorbed on the advance. The turnover to-day amounted to 1,300,000 shares.

Dow-Jones Averages

	High	Low	Close	Changes
30 Indust.	132.86	130.09	132.41	+2.92
20 Rails	30.50	29.72	30.32	+1.17
29 Utilit.	20.30	19.82	20.20	+0.45
40 Bonds	——	——	91.43	+0.35
11 Commod.	——	——	54.86	+0.57

	Feb. 21	23
Adam Express	10	10 1/4
Allegnany Steel Co.	17 1/2	18 1/4
Allis Chalmers	45	46 3/4
Amer. Can	89	91
Amer. Cyanamid "B"	26 1/8	26 1/2
Amer. & For. Power.	3 1/2	3 3/4
„ „ 1st pfd.	21	23
Amer. Locomotive	22	23
Amer. Metals	34	35 1/2
Amer. Radiator	13 7/8	14
Amer. Rolling Mill	19 3/4	20 1/2
Amer. Smelting	51 3/8	54 1/2
Amer. Sugar Refining	29	28 1/2
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	134 7/8	140 1/2
Amer. Tobacco "B"	65 1/2	69 1/8
Amer. Waterworks	9 1/8	10 3/8
Anaconda Copper	33 3/8	35 1/4
Atchison, T. & S. Fe	37 1/4	39 1/2
Atlas Corp.	7 1/8	7 1/8
Auburn	4	4 1/4
Baltimore & Ohio	9 1/2	10 1/8
„ „ pfd.	11 3/8	12 3/8
Barber Co.	18	18 7/8
Barnsdall Oil Co.	15 3/4	16 3/8
Bethlehem Steel	51 3/8	60 1/8
Boeing Airplane Co.	26 1/2	30
Borden Co.	17 3/8	18 1/8
Borg Warner	23 1/2	24 1/2
Briggs Manufacturing Co.	23 5/8	24 1/4
Brklyn-Manhattan Trans.	11	11 3/8
„ „ $6 cum. pfd. B	31 1/4	32
Case, J. I.	94 1/2	94 3/4
Can. Pacific Rly.	6 3/8	7 1/4
Celanese Corp.	16 1/4	17
Cerro de Pasco	41	43 7/8
Chase National Bank B	30 3/8	*31 1/8
Chesapeake Corp.	40 3/8	43
Chesapeake & Ohio	34 1/8	36 1/2
Chrysler	56 3/4	58 7/8
Columbia Gas & Elec.	7 1/2	7 3/8
„ „ "A" pfd. B.	68 1/4	70
Comml. Credit	35 1/2	36 1/4
Comml. Solvents	8 1/2	8 1/2
Comm. & Southern (ord.)	1 1/2	1 1/2
„ „ $6 cum. pfd.	33 1/2	35 1/2
Consolid. Edison	21 3/4	22
Consolid. Oil	9 5/8	10
Continental Can	43	44
Continental Oil	31 1/8	22 3/4
Corn Products	64 1/8	65
Curtis Wright (com.)	4 3/8	4 3/4
„ "A"	16 1/4	17
Delaware & Hudson	16	17
Delaware, Lackawanna & W.	7 1/2	8 1/4
Deere Co.	23 7/8	24 3/8
Distillers Corp. Seagrame	15 3/4	15 3/4
Douglas Aircraft	40	42
Du Pont de Nemours	119 1/2	122 5/8
Eagle Picher Lead	10 5/8	11 3/8
Elec. Boat Co.	9 1/8	9 3/8
Elec. Bond & Sh.	7 7/8	8 1/8
„ „ $5 pfd.	50	50 1/2
„ „ $6 pfd.	54 3/4	55
Elec. Power & Lt.	10 1/4	10 7/8
„ „ 7% pfd.	36 7/8	38
Fintkote Co.	18 1/2	18 1/8
Freeport Sulphur	26 3/8	26 3/4
Gen. Amer. Trans.	42 1/4	43 3/4
Gen. Cigar	27 5/8	28
Gen. Electric	41 3/8	42 3/8
Gen. Foods	31 3/4	31 7/8
Gen. Motors	35 5/8	31
Gen. Rly. Signal	23 3/4	24 3/8
Glidden Co.	24 1/4	24 1/4
Godchux Sugar, Class "A" B	31	B 31
Goodrich (B.F.)	18 1/8	18 3/4
„ $5 pfd.	52 3/8	55
Goodyear Tire & R.	22 7/8	23 7/8
Great Northern Rly., pfd.	23 1/8	24 7/8
Great Western Sugar B	29	30
Greyhound Corp.	9 5/8	10
Hecker Products	6 3/4	6 7/8
Humble Oil	67	70
Int. Nickel	50 7/8	52 1/2
Int. Tel. & Tel. (For. Is.) B	6 1/4	7 3/8
Interstate Department Stores	11	11 1/8
Kennecott	39 5/8	41 3/8
Lambert Co.	11 1/2	11 3/8
Libby-Owens-Ford Glass	34 3/4	35 3/4
Lockheed Aircraft	8 3/8	9 3/8
Loew's Inc.	50 1/4	51
Lorillard	16	16 5/8
McKesson & Rob. $3 pfd.	34 1/2	35 1/8
Martin, Glenn L. Co.	17 1/2	18 3/4
Monsanto Chemical	90	91
Montgomery Ward	35 5/8	37 3/4
Nat. Bond & Investment B	15	B 15 1/8
National Cash Register	17 1/4	17 5/8
National City Bank B	25 1/2	B 26 1/8
Nat. Diary Prods.	14 1/2	14 5/8
Nat. Distillers	22 3/8	22 5/8
Nat. Power & Lt.	6 3/4	7 1/4
Nat. Supply Co.	21 1/4	22 3/8
New York Central	19 1/4	19 1/4
Niagara Hudson & Power	7 5/8	8 3/8
North American Aviation	8 5/8	9 1/8
North Amerivan Co.	19	19 1/2
Northern Pacific	12 1/4	12 7/8
Pacific Gas & Electric	26 1/4	26 1/4
Pacific Lighting	38 3/4	38
Packard Motors	4 5/8	4 3/4
Paramount Pictures Inc.	10	10 5/8
„ „ 1st pfd.	89 1/4	B 86
Pennsylvania R.R.	22 1/4	23 3/8
Phillips Petroleum	39 5/8	40 3/8
Public Serv. of N.J.	31 1/4	32
Pure Oil	12	12 1/2
Radio Corp. of Amer.	6 3/4	7
Republic Steel Co.	18	18 7/8
Reynolds Tobacco "B"	39 5/8	40 3/8
Schenley	24 3/4	25 1/4
„ 5 1/2% pfd.	B 82 3/4	84 1/2
Sears Roebuck	61 1/2	65
Shell Union Oil	15 1/4	16 1/4
Socony-Vacuum	15 3/8	15 3/4
Sthrn. Cal. Edison	22 1/8	21 7/8
Sthrn. Pacific	19 1/8	20 1/4
Southern Railway	12	12 3/4
Sthrn. Rly. 5% pfd.	19 3/4	20 3/8
Stand. Brands	8	8 1/8
Stand. Gas & Elec.	4	3 7/8
„ „ $7 pfd.	21	21 1/4
Stand. Oil of N.J.	52 7/8	53 1/2
Sterling Prods.	58 1/4	58 5/8
Studebaker	5 7/8	5 7/8
Swift International	25	25 1/4
Technicolor	19	20 3/4
Texas Corporation	43 1/2	44 3/8
Texas Gulf Sulphur	32 7/8	32 7/8
Tide Water Associated Oil	14 1/8	15
Transamerica (new)	10 3/4	10 7/8
Twentieth Century Fox	22	22 3/4
„ „ pfd.	B. 31 1/4	31 1/2
Un. Carbide & Carbon	77 1/8	79 3/4
Un. Pacific	78 7/8	79 3/4
Un. Aircraft (new)	23 3/4	25
Un. Airline Trans.	7 7/8	8 1/8
Un. Corp.	3	3 1/8
„ $3 pfd.	29	29 1/4
Un. Gas Corp.	4 1/4	4 1/2
Un. Gas Improvement	10 1/2	10 1/8
United Light & Power Co.	2 1/2	2 3/4
U.S. Indus. Alcohol	19 3/4	20 1/4
U.S. Rubber	33 1/8	34 1/2
„ „ 8% non-cum.	71	74 1/4
U.S. Smelt., Ref. & Min.	69	70
U.S. Steel	55 1/4	57 1/2
Vanadium	17 3/4	18 7/8
Warner Bros. Picts.	6	6 1/4
Westinghouse Elec.	97 1/4	100 3/8
Woodward Iron	17	17 1/4
Yiungstown Sheet & Tube	36 1/8	38 1/4

BONDS

Amer. & For. Power	51	51 1/4
Brazil	16 7/8	16
Cities Serv. Power	54	56
Int. Tel. & Tel.	66	85 3/4
Int. Tel. & Tel.	56 1/4	57 7/8
New England Gas & Elec.	55	57
Peru 6s 1961	9 3/4	9 7/8
Stand. Gas & Elec.	47 1/2	50 1/4

B.—Bid. *—Ex. Dividend.—Reuter.

SPECIAL WEEKLY LIST OF CLOSING

	Feb. 14	21
Anglo-Chilean Nitrate Corp.	27 1/2	27
Argentine 4 1/2s 1971	90 5/8	90
„ 4s 1972	82 3/8	80 7/8
Armour & Co.	90	91
Baltimore & Ohio R.R.	36	32 1/4
Bethlehem Steel	94 3/4	94 7/8
Brooklyn-Manhattan Trans.	56	55
Buenos Aires	62	60
Chic. City Rly.	45	43 1/2
Chile Mortgage Bank	15 5/8	B 15 3/8
Denver & Rio Grande B	14 1/8	B 11
Elec. Power & Lt.	63	64
Erie 5s '67	17 1/8	17 3/8
Jap. Government	57	59
Minas Geraes (State of) B	9	8 7/8
Mortgage Bank B	16	B 22 1/8
Nat. Power & Lt. Deb.	66	65
„ „ 5s 2030	75	74
Norway 4 1/2s 1965	104 1/4	B 103 1/2
New England Power Ass.	82	83
Oslo 4 1/2s 1955	102 3/4	101 5/8
Paramount Pict's S.F. Deb.	92	91 1/2
Republic of Columbia	13 3/8	14 1/2
Republic Steel	82 1/2	83
Rio Grande do Sol B	8 3/4	B 8
Sao Paulo	8 3/4	B 8
Sthrn. Pacific R.R. 4 1/2s '68	57 1/2	56 1/4
„ „ '77	69	67 1/2
Sthrn. Rly. Deb. Gen.	52 1/2	52
Feb.	15	23
Ass. Gas & Elec.	B 6 1/2	7 5/8
Atlan. Gulf & W. Ind.	12	12
Atlantic Refining Co. xdx	22 1/8	23 3/8
Bethlehem Steel 5% pfd. B	14 1/2	15
Bristol Myers	29 7/8	30 3/4
Consolidated Aircraft	15	16 5/8
Consumers Power $4.50 pfd.	84	B 84
Coty Inc.	4	4
Crown Zellerbach	10	10 1/2
Cudahy Packing B	16	B 16 1/2
Distillers Corp. Seagrams B	69	72
Eitingon Schild	3 1/2	3 3/4
Evans Wallover Lead B	6 1/2	B 8 1/2
General Mills	53 1/2	54
Household Finance	85	B 87
Howe Sound	46 1/2	50 5/8
Int. Agric. Corp.	B 23	B 24
Lerner Stores 4 1/2% conv.	B 64	65 1/2
Missouri Pwr. & Lt.	B 83	B 84
Mountain City Copper	6 1/8	7 5/8
Nash Kelvinator	9 1/2	9 7/8
Nat. Power & Lt.	49 5/8	49
Pennroad Corp.	2 1/4	2 1/4
Texas Pacific Land Trust	11	10 1/2
United Biscuit	B 17 1/2	18 1/4

A—Asked. B—Bid. XDX—Ex Dividend on Feb. 18.—Reuter.

BERLIN BOURSE

Berlin, Feb. 23.

The share market continued to-day in very much the same state as yesterday, prices remaining steady but the turnover being extraordinarily restricted. The investing public remained listless, all reports about favourable industrial balance-sheets and increased dividends proving to be no incense to enterprise. Only in one direction was more interest shown namely in those shares that pay the same dividend year in year out and in which the invested capital runs the least risk of depreciation from a falling market, i.e. to say shares that bear a certain resemblance to fixed interest securities. More attention was paid to these because the investor looking for security rather than high returns is still unable to find what he wants on the fixed interest securities market, for example in gold mortgage bonds because these continue to be exceedingly scarce. Minings were weaker, Harpeners declining no less than 3 points to 171 1/2. Lignites were better, dye trusts higher, electrics recovered.

In fixed interest securities the turnover remained small because the stock was scarce but prices continued to be firm.

Reichs Old Liquidation Loan rose 1/8 to a new record level of 133. Reichs loans were sought, gold mortgage bonds in vigorous demand but scarce.

In Industrial bonds Dye Trusts dropped 5/8 to 130 1/4, Siemens & Halske rose 1 to 193, AEG. rose 1/4 to 103 1/8.

Callmoney stood at 2 3/8 to 2 5/8 per cent.—Trans-Ocean.

NEW SUGAR RECORDS PREDICTED

Washington, Feb. 23.

New sugar production and consumption records for the crop year ending August 31, 1938, were predicted by sugar experts here to-day.

Expected sugar production for the current crop year was set at 29,399,000 tons as compared with the previous record of 28,298,000 tons set in 1937.

Sugar consumption during the present crop year was expected to reach 28,842,000 tons which is 354,000 tons above the consumption record set last year.—United Press.

COCOA COMMISSION TO WEST AFRICA

London, Feb. 23.

The members of the Commission which is to enquire into the cocoa position in West Africa, are Mr William Nowell, chairman, the former director of the East African Agricultural Research Station, Mr. Rupert Thompson, a Mincing Lane Merchant, and Mr. C. A. Irving, a marketing officer of the Ministry of Agriculture.

The Commission will sail a fortnight from to-day.—Wireless through Reuter.

LONDON SILVER MARKET

London, Feb. 23.

Messrs. Samuel Montagu and Company, in their weekly bullion letter, write:— After being quiet, a firmer tendency developed in the silver market during the latter half of the past week.

Demand was chiefly from Indian Bazaars, who, besides covering bear commitments, made fresh forward purchases.

There was also some Indian reselling and Continental offerings, but, on the whole, sellers were rather reluctant.

The market appears to be steady at present levels, while the interest shown by Indian Bazaars is considered an encouraging feature.—Reuter.

JAPANESE GOVERNMENT BONDS

Osaka, Feb. 24.

Kogo 5% Y.162.76

—Reuter.

China's Jan. Foreign Trade

According to the monthly returns issued by the Chinese Maritime Customs covering foreign trade of this country, net Imports during January 1938 totalled $59,089,839. Net Exports totalled $43,098,286, as compared with the corresponding figures of January last year of $77,026,802 and $82,206,499 respectively.

U.S. COMMODITIES

Wednesday's Closing Quotations

New York, Feb. 23.

The cotton market was early active and prices advanced on Liverpool cables, the firmness of the stock and commodity markets, the bullish reaction to European political developments, hedging and buyers covering. Finally, the market advanced further on foreign, trade and general buying and closed strong, with quotations ranging from 5 to 14 points up.

Prices in the rubber market early advanced on highe cables, more support, covering and general buying. Later, the market partially reacted on profit-taking and realizing. At the last call-over, gains of 4 to 12 points were recorded.

Wheat prices in Chicago were early higher on firm foreign markets, covering, European enquiries and a good export demand. At the final bell, gains of 1 3/8 to 1 1/2 cents were registered.

New York Cotton		New York Rubber	
Mar.	9.27-27 +14	Mar.	15.13-17 +04
May	9.31-32 +07	May	15.35-35 +10
July	9.38-38 +08	July	15.50-55 +11
Oct.	9.48-48 +07	Sept.	15.64-64 +12
Dec.	9.47-48 +05		
Jan.	9.50-50 +06		

New York Sugar No. 4	New York Silk
Mar. 1.02 1/2-03 1/2 +1/2 B/A	Mar. 1.60 1/2-60 1/2 +1 1/2

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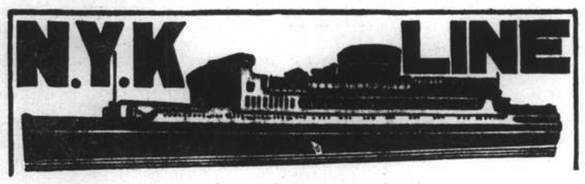
TRAVEL AND SHIPPING



To Honolulu, San Francisco and Los Angeles, via Yokohama

	From Kobe
TAIYO MARU	Mar. 7
TATSUTA MARU	Mar. 22
CHICHIBU MARU	Apr. 9

To Vaucouver and Seattle

	From Kobe
HEIAN MARU	Mar. 14

To Australian Ports via Manila

	From Hongkong
ATSUTA MARU	Mar. 26

To Aden, Naples, Marseilles, London, Antwerp and Rotterdam via Straits and Colombo

	From Shanghai
SUWA MARU	Mar. 8
*TERUKUNI MARU	Mar. 22
HAKUSAN MARU	Apr. 5
HARUNA MARU	Apr. 19

*Calls at Hamburg.

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6 March—HECTOR†	20 Mar.—MENESTHEUS‡	2 April—AENEAS†
Marseilles, London, Rotterdam, Glasgow — via Aden	Marseilles, London, Rotterdam, Hamburg, Glasgow — via Aden	Marseilles, London, Rotterdam, Glasgow — via Aden

LIVERPOOL SAILINGS

2 Apr.—PROMETHEUS*
Liverpool, Bromborough, Glasgow

*Cargo steamer with limited Passenger Accommodation. † "A" Class Passenger vessel ‡ Motor vessel with limited recently modernised Passenger Accommodation.

SERVICE OUTWARD		from	Pacific Ports due	S'hai
	"IXION"	Liverpool	..	Mar. 1
	"AENEAS"	Liverpool	..	Mar. 4
	"PROMETHEUS"	New York	..	Mar. 15
	"AGAMEMNON"	Liverpool	..	Mar. 16

O.S.K.

Shanghai Sailing
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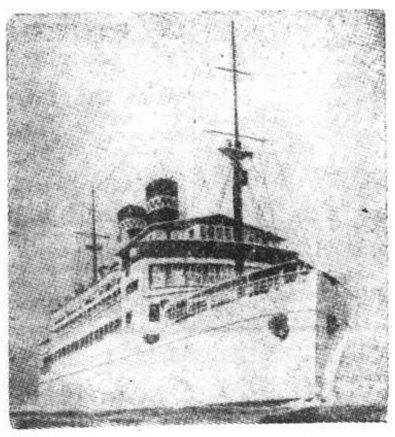

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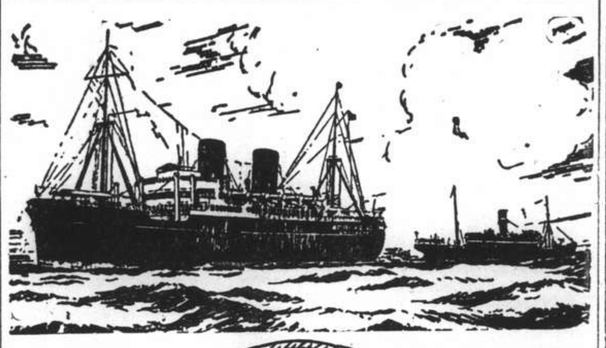

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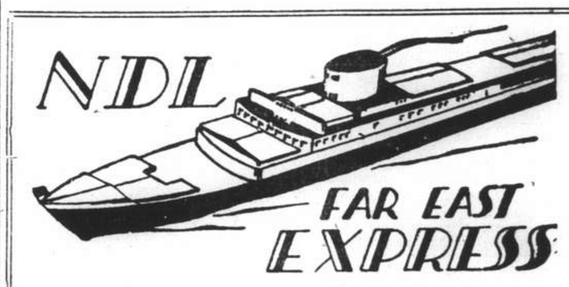

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Potsdam 5/3 9/4
Touraine 26/2 15/4
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Scharnhorst 22/2 12/3

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Hector 25/2 6/3

From KOBE
Comorin 25/2 1/3

CHINA PORTS

From DAIREN
Hoten M. 22/2 25/2

From TONGKU
Chekiang 25/2 4/3

From TIENTSIN
Hangsang — 26/2
Taksang — 26/2
Leesang — 26/2
Fausang — 28/2

From TSINGTAO
Shuntien 23/2 26/2

From CHEFOO
Kanchow 22/2 28/2

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Wuhu 25/2 26/2
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Wusueh 25/2 26/2

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WUSUEH Feb. 27. TUNGCHOW.—From French Bund on Sunday, Feb. 27, at 8 a.m. For freight and passage apply Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 27-2

SUIWO Mar. 1. Sails for TUNGCHOW on Tuesday, March 1, at 7 a.m. from Peking Road Jetty. For Passages apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 1-3

NORTH CHINA COAST

KAIPING Feb. 25. CHINWANGTAO DIRECT.—The Kailan Mining Administration, will despatch the ss. Kaiping, Captain J. B. Struth, on Friday, February 25, 1938. For freight or passage, apply to Agent, 20 Foochow Road. Tel. 11070. 25-2

LIANGCHOW Feb. 26. CHEFOO. — leaves Roosevelt Terminal on Saturday, Feb. 26, at noon. For freight and passage apply Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 26-2

SHUNTIEN Feb. 26. WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—From French Bund on Saturday, Feb. 26, at 10 a.m. For freight and passage apply Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 26-2

PRONTO Feb. 27. CHEFOO, TIENTSIN.—For freight apply to Melchers & Co., 210 Kiukiang Road. Tel. 15566. 27-2

Vessels Leaving

NORTH CHINA COAST

HANGSANG Feb. 28. TIENTSIN.—Sails from Mackenzies Pootung Wharf on Monday, Feb. 28, at p.m. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 28-2

NANCHANG Mar. 1. TSINGTAO, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—From French Bund on Tuesday, March 1, at 9 a.m. For freight and passage apply Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 32020 (French Bund). 1-3

CHAKSANG Mar. 6. CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Sunday, March 6. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 6-3

SOUTH CHINA COAST

FINGAL Feb. 25. SWATOW and HONGKONG.—For freight apply to Melchers & Co., 210 Kiukiang Road. Tel. 15566. 25-2

KIANGSU Feb. 26. SWATOW, HONGKONG, CANTON, HOIHOW, PAKHOI and HAIPHONG.—From French Bund on Saturday, Feb. 26, at 7 a.m. For freight and passage apply Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 25-2

TAKSANG Feb. 27. SWATOW, HONGKONG and CANTON.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Sunday, Feb. 27. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 27-2

LEESANG Mar. 1. HONGKONG and CANTON.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Tuesday, March 1, at noon. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 1-3

FAUSANG Mar. 2. SWATOW, HONGKONG and CANTON.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Wednesday, March 2. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 2

LUCHOW Mar. 2. FOOCHOW and WENCHOW.—From French Bund on Wednesday, March 2, at 10 a.m. For freight and passage apply Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 2-3

TAIYUAN Mar. 2. AMOY and HONGKONG.—From French Bund on Wednesday, March 2, at 6 a.m. For freight and passage apply Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 1-3

SHANTUNG Mar. 3. SWATOW, HONGKONG and CANTON.—From French Bund on Thursday, March 3, at noon. For freight and passage apply Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 3-3

FOOSHING Mar. 4. SWATOW, HONGKONG and CANTON.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Friday, March 4. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 4-3

STRAITS AND EUROPE

GNEISENAU Feb. 25. GENOA, SOUTHAMPTON, ROTTERDAM, BREMEN and HAMBURG via HONGKONG, MANILA, SINGAPORE, PENANG, BELAWAN, COLOMBO and PORT SAID.—For freight and passage apply to Melchers & Co., General Agents, N.D.L. 210 Kiukiang Road. Tel. 15566. 25-2

GLENAPP Feb. 27. CASABLANCA, LONDON, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG and ANTWERP via HONGKONG and STRAITS.—Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Agents, Glen Line Ltd. Tel. 15290. 27-2

ARAMIS Mar. 1. MARSEILLES via HONGKONG, SAIGON, SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, DJIBOUTI, SUEZ and PORT SAID.—Messageries Maritimes, 9 Avenue Edward VII. Tel. 82034. 1-3

COMORIN Mar. 1. MARSEILLES and LONDON via HONGKONG, SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, PORT SUDAN, PORT SAID and MALTA.—Last tender will leave the Customs Jetty at 8.30 a.m. on Tuesday, March 1, 1938. Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents, P. & O. S. N. Co., No. 27 The Bund. Tel. No. 11428. 1-3

SAUERLAND Mar. 6. CASABLANCA DIRECT, GENOA, ROTTERDAM and HAMBURG.—The Hamburg-Amerika Linie will despatch the ms. Sauerland, Captain W. Teegen, on or about March 6, 1938. For freight and passage please apply Hamburg-Amerika Linie, Filiale Schanghai, 20 Canton Road. Tel. 18709. 6-3

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Date and Destination	*Per*	*Reg.*	*Ord.*
FRIDAY, Feb. 25.			
Chinwangtao	Kaiping	9.30	10.00
Aust. N.Z. Manila S.S.			
India Suez and Europe	Gneisenau	9.00	11.00
Hongkong and Canton	Gneisenau	10.30	11.00
Tinghai and Haimen Che.	Don Jose	10.30	11.00
Japan Korea and Formosa via Nagasaki	E. of Asia	13.00	15.00
Canada U.S.A. and Europe via Pacific	E. of Asia	13.00	15.00
Indo-China(Z) via H'phong	Kiangsu A	—	—
Swatow Hongkong Canton and Yunnan	Kiangsu	17.30	18.00
U.S.S.R. Europe via Siberia	Shuntien	16.30	18.00
Nantung	Siangwo	18.30	19.00
SATURDAY, Feb. 26.			
Tsingtao Wei. C'foo T'tsin	Shuntien	*19.00	7.15
Tsingtao and Dairen	Hoten M.	13.00	13.30
Japan Korea and Formosa	Shanghai M.	17.30	18.00
Nantung	Wuhu	18.30	19.00
SUNDAY, Feb. 27.			
Swatow Hongkong Canton	Taksang X	8.30	9.00
U.S.S.R. Europe via Siberia	Hangsang X	16.30	18.00
Nantung	Wusueh	18.30	19.00

* The night before.
A Parcel mail for Indo-China, closes at 16.00 on 25th.
X Provisional time—subject to alterations.
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Mails for Europe

Via Siberia by steamer to Tientsin for transmission.
Next steamship mails will be closed as follows:
ss. Gneisenau, via Suez, February 25, due London March 23.
ss. Empress of Asia, via Pacific, February 25, due London March 27,
ss. Conte Verde, via Suez, March 1, due London March 26.

Air Mails Abroad

Imperial Airways and Qantas (Hongkong-London and Hongkong-Australia) per "Comorin," 6 p.m. on February 28, due London March 14.
Pan American Airways (Hongkong-San Francisco) per "Gneisenau," 11 a.m. on February 25, due San Francisco March 8.
Netherlands (K.L.M.) (Bandoeng-Amsterdam) per "Gneisenau," 11 a.m. on February 25, due Amsterdam March 13, London March 14.
Air France (China-Marseilles) by steamer to Hongkong and Saigon.

Vessels Leaving (cont.)

STRAITS AND EUROPE

HECTOR Mar. 6. MARSEILLES, LONDON, ROTTERDAM and GLASGOW (via Hongkong and Straits).—Butterfield & Swire, Agents Tel. 82020. 6-3

AUSTRALASIA

TANDA Mar. 5. SYDNEY and MELBOURNE via (From Hongkong) PORTS.—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents, E. & A. S. S. Co., Ltd. No. 27 The Bund. Tel. No. 11428. 5-3

TAIPING Mar. 15. MANILA, THURSDAY I, GAIRNS, (From Hongkong) TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE.—Australian-Oriental Line, Ltd., Agents, Butterfield & Swire, French Bund. Tel. 82020. 15-3

Vessels Discharging

SIKIANG. From the Continent and ports on February 23, 1938, now discharging at the Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Pootung. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for exchange of Delivery Orders and take immediate delivery of their goods. Consignees of Bulk and Iron cargo are further requested to send their representatives to the Wharf to verify the weights of such cargo whilst it is being landed. All risks of fire at the Wharf and Godowns to be borne by consignees. Claims against this steamer must be presented within 15 days of vessel's arrival or they will not be recognized. Damaged cargo will be examined in the presence of a Customs Officer on Saturday, February 26, 1938, at 9.30 a.m., at the Wharf by Messrs. Parker, Rielley & Co. No Insurance effected. Cie. des Messageries Maritimes. 26-2

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